

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Journal of the Senate

EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

TWENTY-THIRD DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, March 4, 1999

The Senate met at 8:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Moe, R.D. imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Rebecca Voelkel-Haugen.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Anderson	Hottinger	Laidig	Oliver	Samuelson
Belanger	Janezich	Langseth	Olson	Scheevel
Berg	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Ourada	Solon
Berglin	Johnson, D.H.	Lesewski	Pappas	Spear
Betzold	Johnson, D.J.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stevens
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Limmer	Piper	Stumpf
Dille	Junge	Lourey	Pogemiller	Ten Eyck
Fischbach	Kelley, S.P.	Marty	Price	Terwilliger
Flynn	Kelly, R.C.	Metzen	Ranum	Vickerman
Foley	Kiscaden	Moe, R.D.	Robertson	Wiener
Frederickson	Kleis	Morse	Robling	Wiger
Hanson	Knutson	Neuville	Runbeck	
Higgins	Krentz	Novak	Sams	

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and referred to the committees indicated.
February 5, 1999

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

COMMISSIONER OF THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Gene Hugoson, 2775 - 60th Street, Granada, Minnesota 56039, in the county of Martin, effective January 13, 1999, for a four-year term expiring on Monday, January 6, 2003.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

February 5, 1999

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND LEARNING

Christine Jax, 2246 Lincoln Street Northeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418, in the county of Hennepin, effective January 15, 1999, for a four-year term expiring on Monday, January 6, 2003.

(Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.)

February 5, 1999

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Gerald Carlson, 3165 Casco Circle, Orono, Minnesota 55391, in the county of Hennepin, effective January 6, 1999, for a four-year term expiring on Monday, January 6, 2003.

(Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.)

Sincerely,
Jesse Ventura, Governor

March 1, 1999

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Spear:

The Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules and Administration met on February 25, 1999, and by appropriate action made the following appointments:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1998

62J.07: Legislative Oversight Commission on Health Care Access - Senators Berglin, Kiscaden, Oliver, Piper and Sams.

161.1419: Mississippi River Parkway Commission - Senators Belanger and Ten Eyck (replacing Betzold).

The Subcommittee on Committees also made the following recommendations to the Legislative Coordinating Commission:

3.885: Legislative Commission on Planning and Fiscal Policy - Senators Cohen; Kiscaden (replacing Flynn); Frederickson; Johnson, D.E.; Johnson, D.J.; Junge; Moe, R.D.; Pogemiller and Samuelson.

Legislative Coordinating Commission Subcommittee on Rules: Senators Betzold and Pariseau.

Sincerely,
Roger D. Moe, Chair
Subcommittee on Committees

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following Senate File, AS AMENDED by the House, in which amendments the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested:

S.F. No. 255: A bill for an act relating to crime; providing that interference with an emergency call is a crime; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 609.78.

Senate File No. 255 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned March 1, 1999

Senator Ranum moved that S.F. No. 255 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the report pertaining to the appointment. The motion prevailed.

Senator Spear from the Committee on Crime Prevention, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 846: A bill for an act relating to juveniles; establishing requirements relating to out-of-home placements of juveniles; establishing work groups; requiring rules; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 245A.09, subdivision 2; 260.151, subdivision 3; 260.181, by adding a subdivision; and 260.185, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security. Report adopted.

Senator Spear from the Committee on Crime Prevention, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 184: A bill for an act relating to juvenile justice; recodifying, clarifying, and relocating provisions relating to juvenile delinquency and child protection; providing separate areas of law dealing with child protection and delinquency; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 260.011, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapters 260B; and 260C; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 257.069; 257.071; 257.0711; 257.072; 257.35; 257.351; 257.352; 257.353; 257.354; 257.355; 257.356; 257.3571; 257.3572; 257.3573; 257.3574; 257.3575; 257.3576; 257.3577; 257.3578; 257.3579; 257.40; 257.41; 257.42; 257.43; 257.44; 257.45; 257.46; 257.47; 257.48; 260.011, subdivision 2; 260.013; 260.015; 260.092; 260.094; 260.096; 260.101; 260.111; 260.115; 260.121; 260.125; 260.126; 260.131; 260.132; 260.133; 260.135; 260.141; 260.145; 260.151; 260.155; 260.157; 260.161; 260.162; 260.165; 260.171; 260.172; 260.173; 260.1735; 260.174; 260.181; 260.185; 260.191; 260.192; 260.193; 260.195; 260.211; 260.215; 260.221; 260.241; 260.242; 260.245; 260.251; 260.255; 260.261; 260.271; 260.281; 260.291; 260.301; 260.315; 260.35; 260.36; 260.39; and 260.40.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

Senator Hottinger from the Committee on Health and Family Security, to which was referred

S.F. No. 578: A bill for an act relating to health; providing for review of ambulance services and first responders; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144E.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 12, delete "provider," and insert "or first responder service consisting of"

Page 1, line 13, delete ", a" and insert "or" and delete ", or" and insert "and"

Page 1, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 145.61, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. [REVIEW ORGANIZATION.] "Review organization" means a nonprofit organization acting according to clause (k), a committee as defined under section 144E.32, subdivision 2, or a committee whose membership is limited to professionals, administrative staff, and consumer directors, except where otherwise provided for by state or federal law, and which is established by one or more of the following: a hospital, a clinic, a nursing home, an ambulance service or first responder service regulated under chapter 144E, one or more state or local associations of professionals, an organization of professionals from a particular area or medical institution, a health maintenance organization as defined in chapter 62D, a nonprofit health service plan corporation as defined in chapter 62C, a preferred provider organization, a professional standards review organization established pursuant to United States Code, title 42, section 1320c-1 et seq., a medical review agent established to meet the requirements of section 256B.04, subdivision 15, or 256D.03, subdivision 7, paragraph (b), the department of human services, a health provider cooperative operating under sections 62R.17 to 62R.26, or a corporation organized under chapter 317A that owns, operates, or is established by one or more of the above referenced entities, to gather and review information relating to the care and treatment of patients for the purposes of:

(a) evaluating and improving the quality of health care rendered in the area or medical institution or by the entity or organization that established the review organization;

(b) reducing morbidity or mortality;

(c) obtaining and disseminating statistics and information relative to the treatment and prevention of diseases, illness and injuries;

(d) developing and publishing guidelines showing the norms of health care in the area or medical institution or in the entity or organization that established the review organization;

(e) developing and publishing guidelines designed to keep within reasonable bounds the cost of health care;

(f) reviewing the quality or cost of health care services provided to enrollees of health maintenance organizations, health service plans, preferred provider organizations, and insurance companies;

(g) acting as a professional standards review organization pursuant to United States Code, title 42, section 1320c-1 et seq.;

(h) determining whether a professional shall be granted staff privileges in a medical institution, membership in a state or local association of professionals, or participating status in a nonprofit health service plan corporation, health maintenance organization, preferred provider organization, or insurance company, or whether a professional's staff privileges, membership, or participation status should be limited, suspended or revoked;

- (i) reviewing, ruling on, or advising on controversies, disputes or questions between:
- (1) health insurance carriers, nonprofit health service plan corporations, health maintenance organizations, self-insurers and their insureds, subscribers, enrollees, or other covered persons;
 - (2) professional licensing boards and health providers licensed by them;
 - (3) professionals and their patients concerning diagnosis, treatment or care, or the charges or fees therefor;
 - (4) professionals and health insurance carriers, nonprofit health service plan corporations, health maintenance organizations, or self-insurers concerning a charge or fee for health care services provided to an insured, subscriber, enrollee, or other covered person;
 - (5) professionals or their patients and the federal, state, or local government, or agencies thereof;
- (j) providing underwriting assistance in connection with professional liability insurance coverage applied for or obtained by dentists, or providing assistance to underwriters in evaluating claims against dentists;
- (k) acting as a medical review agent under section 256B.04, subdivision 15, or 256D.03, subdivision 7, paragraph (b);
- (l) providing recommendations on the medical necessity of a health service, or the relevant prevailing community standard for a health service;
- (m) providing quality assurance as required by United States Code, title 42, sections 1396r(b)(1)(b) and 1395i-3(b)(1)(b) of the Social Security Act;
- (n) providing information to group purchasers of health care services when that information was originally generated within the review organization for a purpose specified by this subdivision; or
- (o) providing information to other, affiliated or nonaffiliated review organizations, when that information was originally generated within the review organization for a purpose specified by this subdivision, and as long as that information will further the purposes of a review organization as specified by this subdivision."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 145.61, subdivision 5;"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Hottinger from the Committee on Health and Family Security, to which was referred

S.F. No. 649: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying the definition of public water supply; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 144.382, subdivision 4.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar. Report adopted.

Senator Hottinger from the Committee on Health and Family Security, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 360: A bill for an act relating to insurance; permitting reductions in certain insurance-related assessments; continuing state funding for the Minnesota comprehensive health

association; repealing the sunset on current provisions specifying the relationship between medical assistance and the Minnesota comprehensive health association; appropriating money; amending Laws 1997, chapter 225, article 3, section 22; repealing Laws 1997, chapter 225, article 6, section 8.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 27, delete "health care access account" and insert "general fund"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Ranum from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred

S.F. No. 833: A bill for an act relating to business organizations; regulating business corporations; defining terms; modifying the authority to grant restricted stock; regulating take-over offers; providing for name changes in certain circumstances; regulating mergers and exchanges; making clarifying and technical changes; removing ambiguities; regulating limited liability companies; eliminating unnecessary provisions; correcting terminology; regulating member control agreements and dissolutions; providing for the duration of certain companies; making conforming changes required by the enactment of the revised Uniform Partnership Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 302A.011, subdivisions 7 and 56; 302A.111, subdivision 5; 302A.181, subdivision 1; 302A.223, subdivision 3; 302A.402, subdivision 3; 302A.405, subdivision 1; 302A.417, subdivision 7; 302A.457, subdivisions 1 and 2; 302A.471, subdivision 1; 302A.613, subdivision 1; 302A.621, subdivisions 1 and 6; 302A.675, subdivision 2; 319B.02, subdivisions 10, 12, 21, and 22; 319B.04, subdivisions 2 and 3; 319B.08, subdivision 1; 319B.10, subdivision 2; 319B.11, subdivisions 3, 4, and 8; 322A.02; 322A.87; 322A.88; 322B.03, subdivisions 12, 30, 44, and 45; 322B.115, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; 322B.155; 322B.20, subdivisions 1 and 2; 322B.30, subdivision 2; 322B.306; 322B.31, subdivision 3; 322B.313, subdivisions 2, 3, and 7; 322B.323, subdivision 2; 322B.326; 322B.33, subdivisions 1 and 4; 322B.333, subdivisions 1 and 3; 322B.336, subdivisions 1 and 3; 322B.34, subdivisions 2 and 3; 322B.343, subdivisions 1 and 2; 322B.346; 322B.35, subdivision 1; 322B.353; 322B.356, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; 322B.363, subdivisions 2 and 3; 322B.366, subdivision 1; 322B.37; 322B.383, subdivision 1; 322B.386, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5; 322B.40, subdivisions 1, 5, and 6; 322B.41, subdivisions 3 and 4; 322B.42, subdivision 5; 322B.43, subdivisions 1 and 3; 322B.50; 322B.51; 322B.52; 322B.54, subdivision 1; 322B.56, subdivision 1; 322B.603; 322B.606, subdivision 1; 322B.61; 322B.613; 322B.616; 322B.623; 322B.626; 322B.63, subdivision 1; 322B.636, subdivisions 1 and 3; 322B.64; 322B.643, subdivisions 1, 3, and 4; 322B.646; 322B.65; 322B.653; 322B.656, subdivision 1; 322B.66, subdivision 2; 322B.663, subdivision 4; 322B.666, subdivision 1; 322B.673, subdivisions 1 and 2; 322B.676; 322B.686, subdivision 3; 322B.689; 322B.699, subdivision 4; 322B.72, subdivisions 1 and 2; 322B.80, subdivision 1; 322B.813, subdivision 3; 322B.816, subdivision 4; 322B.833, subdivisions 2, 5, and 6; 322B.843, subdivision 2; 322B.873, subdivisions 1 and 4; 323A.10-01; and 323A.11-02; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 322B.03, subdivisions 4, 5, 9, and 16; 322B.363, subdivision 8; 322B.366, subdivision 2; 322B.816, subdivision 3; and 322B.873, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

Senator Ranum from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred

S.F. No. 129: A bill for an act relating to family law; enacting the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act; proposing coding for new law as chapter 518D; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 518A.01; 518A.02; 518A.03; 518A.04; 518A.05; 518A.06; 518A.07; 518A.08; 518A.09; 518A.10; 518A.11; 518A.12; 518A.13; 518A.14; 518A.15; 518A.16; 518A.17; 518A.18; 518A.19; 518A.20; 518A.21; 518A.22; 518A.23; 518A.24; and 518A.25.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 416: A bill for an act relating to local government; directing the city of Minneapolis to authorize participation by certain workers and apprentices in deferred compensation plan; amending Laws 1988, chapter 471, section 1, subdivision 1, as amended.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar. Report adopted.

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 556: A bill for an act relating to municipalities; making certain changes to municipal liability; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 466.01, subdivision 1; 466.03, subdivision 6e, and by adding a subdivision; 604A.20; 604A.21, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and by adding a subdivision; 604A.22; and 604A.25.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Report adopted.

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 615: A bill for an act relating to the Minneapolis park and recreation board; providing for the appointment of various employees; amending Laws 1969, chapter 1024, section 1, as amended.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 25, after the stricken "(h)" insert "(i)" and reinstate the stricken "manager, special services,"

Page 2, line 1, strike "(i)" and insert "(j)"

Page 2, line 2, strike "(j)" and insert "(k)"

Page 2, line 3, strike "(k)" and insert "(l)"

Page 2, line 4, strike "(l)" and insert "(m)"

Page 2, line 5, strike "(m)" and insert "(n)"

Page 2, line 6, strike "(n)" and insert "(o)"

Page 2, line 7, strike "(o)" and insert "(p)"

Page 2, line 8, strike "(p)" and insert "(q)"

Page 2, line 9, strike "(q)" and insert "(r)"

Page 2, line 10, strike "(r)" and insert "(s)"

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Novak from the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 642: A bill for an act relating to the city of Brooklyn Park; authorizing the Brooklyn Park economic development authority to establish an urban shopping district and providing the conditions thereof.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government. Report adopted.

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 851: A bill for an act relating to local government; delaying the expiration of corporations created by political subdivisions; establishing a task force to develop legislation relating to establishment of corporations by political subdivisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 465.715, subdivision 1a.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 17, strike "This subdivision expires July 1," and delete "2000" and strike the second period

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "delaying" and insert "removing"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Solon from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred

S.F. No. 727: A bill for an act relating to commerce; providing for continuity of contracts affected by the European currency; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 334.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 14, delete "from time to time"

Page 1, line 18, delete "from time to time"

Page 2, line 3, delete "from time to time"

Page 3, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 2. [SUNSET.]

Section 1 expires December 31, 2002."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Solon from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred

S.F. No. 820: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating the duties of the secretary as a licensed certification authority; modifying the effective period of emerging suspensions of certificates; specifying the consequences of accepting certain digital signatures; regulating fees; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 325K.03, by adding a subdivision; 325K.04; 325K.05, subdivision 1; 325K.09, by adding a subdivision; 325K.10, subdivision 5; 325K.14, by adding a subdivision; and 325K.15, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Rules, part 8275.0045, subpart 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans. Report adopted.

Senator Marty from the Committee on Election Laws, to which was referred

S.F. No. 516: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for updated voter records; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 201.13, by adding a subdivision.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.01, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. [CONTRIBUTION.] "Contribution" means a transfer of funds or a donation in kind.

"Contribution" includes any loan or advance of credit to a political committee, political fund, or principal campaign committee, which loan or advance of credit is (a) forgiven, or (b) paid by an individual or an association other than the political committee, political fund, or principal campaign committee to which the loan or advance of credit is made. If an advance of credit or a loan is forgiven or paid as provided in this subdivision, it is a contribution in the year in which the loan or advance of credit is made.

A contribution made for the purpose of defeating a candidate is considered made for the purpose of influencing the nomination or election of that candidate or any opponent of that candidate.

"Contribution" does not include services provided without compensation by an individual volunteering personal time on behalf of a candidate, ballot question, political committee, or political fund, or.

"Contribution" does not include the uncompensated use by a candidate or an individual volunteering personal time on behalf of a candidate, ballot question, political committee, or political fund, of the candidate or volunteer's own personal property or private residence.

"Contribution" does not include the publishing or broadcasting of news items or editorial comments by the news media.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.01, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. [LOBBYIST.] (a) "Lobbyist" means an individual:

(1) engaged for pay or other consideration, or authorized to spend money by another individual, association, political subdivision, or public higher education system, who spends more than five hours in any month or more than \$250, not including the individual's own travel expenses and membership dues, in any year, for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit, by communicating or urging others to communicate with public or local officials; or

(2) who spends more than \$250, not including the individual's own traveling expenses and membership dues, in any year for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit, by communicating or urging others to communicate with public or local officials.

(b) "Lobbyist" does not include:

(1) a public official;

(2) an employee of the state, including an employee of any of the public higher education systems;

(3) an elected local official;

(4) a nonelected local official or an employee of a political subdivision acting in an official capacity, unless the nonelected official or employee of a political subdivision spends more than 50 hours in any month attempting to influence legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit other than the political subdivision employing the

official or employee, by communicating or urging others to communicate with public or local officials, including time spent monitoring legislative or administrative action, or the official action of a metropolitan governmental unit, and related research, analysis, and compilation and dissemination of information relating to legislative or administrative policy in this state, or to the policies of metropolitan governmental units;

(5) a party or the party's representative appearing in a proceeding before a state board, commission or agency of the executive branch unless the board, commission or agency is taking administrative action;

(6) an individual while engaged in selling goods or services to be paid for by public funds;

(7) a news medium or its employees or agents while engaged in the publishing or broadcasting of news items, editorial comments or paid advertisements which directly or indirectly urge official action;

(8) a paid expert witness whose testimony is requested by the body before which the witness is appearing, but only to the extent of preparing or delivering testimony;

(9) a stockholder of a family farm corporation as defined in section 500.24, subdivision 2, who does not spend over \$250, excluding the stockholder's own travel expenses, in any year in communicating with public officials; or

(10) a party or the party's representative appearing to present a claim to the legislature and communicating to legislators only by the filing of a claim form and supporting documents and by appearing at public hearings on the claim; or

(11) an individual attempting to influence the action of a metropolitan governmental unit to apply or administer an adopted ordinance or land use plan.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.01, subdivision 18, is amended to read:

Subd. 18. [PUBLIC OFFICIAL.] "Public official" means any:

- (a) member of the legislature;
- (b) constitutional officer in the executive branch and the officer's chief administrative deputy;
- (c) member, chief administrative officer or deputy chief administrative officer of a state board or commission which has at least one of the following powers: (i) the power to adopt, amend or repeal rules, or (ii) the power to adjudicate contested cases or appeals;
- (d) commissioner, deputy commissioner, or assistant commissioner of any state department as designated pursuant to section 15.01;
- (e) individual employed in the executive branch who is authorized to adopt, amend or repeal rules or adjudicate contested cases;
- (f) executive director of the state board of investment;
- (g) executive director of the Indian affairs intertribal board;
- (h) commissioner of the iron range resources and rehabilitation board;
- (i) commissioner of mediation services;
- (j) deputy of any official listed in clauses (e) to (i);
- (k) judge of the workers' compensation court of appeals;
- (l) administrative law judge or compensation judge in the state office of administrative hearings or referee in the department of economic security;

- (m) solicitor general or deputy, assistant or special assistant attorney general;
- (n) individual employed by the legislature as secretary of the senate, legislative auditor, chief clerk of the house, revisor of statutes, or researcher, legislative analyst, or attorney in the office of senate counsel and research or house research;
- (o) member, regional administrator, division director, general counsel, or operations manager of the metropolitan council;
- (p) the director of the racing commission, the director of the gambling control board, the director of the state lottery, and the deputy director of the state lottery;
- (q) director of the division of alcohol and gambling enforcement in the department of public safety;
- (r) member or executive director of the higher education facilities authority;
- (s) member of the board of directors or president of the Minnesota world trade center corporation, Minnesota Technology, Inc., or the agricultural utilization research institute;
- (t) member of the board of directors or executive director of the Minnesota state high school league; or
- (u) member or chief administrator of a metropolitan agency.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.02, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. [VIOLATIONS; ENFORCEMENT.] The board may investigate any alleged violation of this chapter or section 471.895. The board shall investigate any violation which is alleged in a written complaint filed with the board and, except for alleged violations of section 10A.25 or 10A.27, shall within 30 days after the filing of the complaint make a public finding of whether or not there is probable cause to believe a violation has occurred. In the case of a written complaint alleging a violation of section 10A.25 or 10A.27, the board shall either enter a conciliation agreement or make a public finding of whether or not there is probable cause, within 60 days of the filing of the complaint. The deadline for action on any written complaint may be extended by majority vote of the board. Within a reasonable time after beginning an investigation of an individual or association, the board shall notify that individual or association of the fact of the investigation. The board shall make no finding of whether or not there is probable cause to believe a violation has occurred without notifying the individual or association of the nature of the allegations and affording an opportunity to answer those allegations. Any hearing or action of the board concerning any complaint or investigation other than a finding concerning probable cause or a conciliation agreement shall be confidential. Until the board makes a public finding concerning probable cause or enters a conciliation agreement:

- (a) No member, employee, or agent of the board shall disclose to any individual any information obtained by that member, employee, or agent concerning any complaint or investigation except as required to carry out the investigation or take action in the matter as authorized by this chapter; and
- (b) Any individual who discloses information contrary to the provisions of this subdivision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Except as provided in section 10A.28, after the board makes a public finding of probable cause the board shall report that finding to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.02, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. [ADVISORY OPINIONS.] (a) The board may issue and publish advisory opinions on the requirements of this chapter or section 471.895 based upon real or hypothetical situations. An application for an advisory opinion may be made only by an individual or association who wishes to use the opinion to guide the individual's or the association's own conduct. The board shall issue written opinions on all such questions submitted to it within 30 days after receipt of written application, unless a majority of the board agrees to extend the time limit.

(b) A written advisory opinion issued by the board is binding on the board in any subsequent board proceeding concerning the person making or covered by the request and is a defense in a judicial proceeding that involves the subject matter of the opinion and is brought against the person making or covered by the request unless:

(1) the board has amended or revoked the opinion before the initiation of the board or judicial proceeding, has notified the person making or covered by the request of its action, and has allowed at least 30 days for the person to do anything that might be necessary to comply with the amended or revoked opinion;

(2) the request has omitted or misstated material facts; or

(3) the person making or covered by the request has not acted in good faith in reliance on the opinion.

~~(c) A request for an opinion and the opinion itself are nonpublic data. The board, however, may publish an opinion or a summary of an opinion, but may not include in the publication the name of the requester, the name of a person covered by a request from an agency or political subdivision, or any other information that might identify the requester unless the person consents to the inclusion.~~

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.02, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. The provisions of chapter 14 apply to the board. The board may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this chapter or section 471.895.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.03, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. [NOTICE; LATE FILING.] The board shall notify by certified mail ~~or personal service~~ any lobbyist who fails to file a registration form within five days after becoming a lobbyist. If a lobbyist fails to file a form within ~~seven ten~~ days after ~~receiving this the~~ notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee at \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing with the ~~eighth~~ 11th day after ~~receiving the notice was mailed.~~ The board shall further notify by certified mail or personal service any lobbyist who fails to file a form within 21 days of receiving a first notice that the lobbyist may be subject to a criminal penalty for failure to file the form. A lobbyist who knowingly fails to file a form within seven 30 days after receiving a second notice from the board learning that the filing is required is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.04, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. [LATE FILING.] The board shall notify by certified mail ~~or personal service~~ any lobbyist ~~or principal~~ who fails after seven days after a filing date imposed by this section to file a report or statement required by this section. If a lobbyist ~~or principal~~ fails to file a report within ~~seven ten~~ days after ~~receiving this the~~ notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing with the ~~eighth~~ 11th day after receiving the notice was mailed. ~~The board shall further notify by certified mail or personal service any lobbyist who fails to file a report within 21 days after receiving a first notice that the lobbyist may be subject to a criminal penalty for failure to file the report. A lobbyist who knowingly fails to file such a report or statement within seven 30 days after receiving a second notice from the board learning that the filing is required is guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.04, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. [FINANCIAL RECORDS.] The board may randomly audit the financial records of lobbyists and principals required to report under this section. Lobbyists and principals shall retain for four years after the report was filed all records concerning the matters reported under this chapter, including vouchers, canceled checks, bills, invoices, worksheets, and receipts.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.065, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [REGISTERED LOBBYIST CONTRIBUTIONS; LEGISLATIVE SESSION.]

A candidate for the legislature or for constitutional office, a candidate's principal campaign committee, any other political committee with the candidate's name or title, any committee authorized by the candidate, or a political committee established by all or a part of the party organization within a house of the legislature, shall not solicit or accept a contribution on behalf of a candidate's principal campaign committee, any other political committee with the candidate's name or title, any committee authorized by the candidate, or a political committee established by all or a part of the party organization within a house of the legislature, from a registered lobbyist, political committee, or political fund during a regular session of the legislature. The lobbyist, political committee, or political fund shall not make the contribution. However, the party organization within a house of the legislature may receive a member's dues during a regular session of the legislature, even if the dues are paid from the assets of the member's principal campaign committee. For a candidate for governor or lieutenant governor, the prohibition in this subdivision extends to the 14 days immediately following adjournment of a regular session of the legislature in either year of a biennium.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.065, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. [CIVIL PENALTY.] A candidate or, political committee, political fund, or lobbyist that violates this section is subject to a civil fine of up to \$500. If the board makes a public finding that there is probable cause to believe a violation of this section has occurred, the board shall bring an action, or transmit the finding to a county attorney who shall bring an action, in the district court of Ramsey county, to impose a civil fine as prescribed by the board. Fines paid under this section must be deposited in the general fund in the state treasury.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.065, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. [FEDERAL OFFICES.] This section does not prohibit a candidate from soliciting or accepting a contribution to a campaign for a federal office.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.071, is amended to read:

10A.071 [CERTAIN GIFTS BY LOBBYISTS AND PRINCIPALS PROHIBITED.]

Subdivision 1. [DEFINITIONS.] (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

(b) "Family" means all the descendants of the recipient's grandparents by blood, marriage, or adoption, including a former spouse.

(c) "Gift" means money, real or personal property, a service, a loan, or a forbearance or forgiveness of indebtedness, ~~or a promise of future employment,~~ that is given and received without the giver receiving consideration of equal or greater value in return.

~~(e)~~ (d) "Official" means a public official, or an employee of the legislature, ~~or a local official of a metropolitan governmental unit.~~

Subd. 2. [PROHIBITION.] A lobbyist or principal may not give a gift or request another to give a gift to an official. An official may not accept a gift from a lobbyist or principal. An individual is subject to the requirements of this section by virtue of being an officer, employee, or member of an association that is a principal only when acting as an agent or on behalf of the association.

Subd. 3. [EXCEPTIONS.] (a) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is:

(1) a contribution as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 7, or 211A.01, subdivision 5, or as defined by federal law for contributions to candidates for federal offices;

(2) services to assist ~~an~~ the official in the performance of official duties, including but not limited to providing advice, consultation, information, and communication in connection with legislation, and services to constituents;

(3) services of insignificant monetary value;

(4) a plaque, framed certificate, or similar memento recognizing individual services in a field of specialty or to a charitable cause;

(5) a trinket or memento of insignificant value;

(6) informational material of ~~unexceptional~~ insignificant value or that will assist the official in the performance of official duties; or

(7) food or a beverage not to exceed \$5 in value to the recipient given by a host as part of ordinary office hospitality or at a meeting away from the offices of the governmental entity in which the recipient official holds office; or

(8) food or a beverage given at a reception, meal, or meeting away from the ~~recipient's place of work~~ offices of the governmental entity in which the recipient official holds office by an organization before whom the recipient appears to make a speech or answer questions as part of a program, and reasonable travel and one night's lodging expenses within the state actually incurred and necessary to participate in the program.

(b) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is given:

(1) because of the recipient's membership in a group, a majority of whose members are not officials, and an equivalent gift is given or offered to the other members of the group; or

(2) by a national or multistate organization of governmental organizations or public officials, if a majority of the dues to the organization are paid from public funds, to a participant in a conference, seminar, meeting, or trip sponsored by that organization, if an equivalent gift is given or offered to all other participants, even if the gift to the official was made possible by a gift to the organization by a lobbyist or principal;

(3) to an official attending the national convention of a major political party or the inauguration of the president of the United States, if an equivalent gift is given or offered to all other participants;

(4) by a lobbyist or principal who is a member of the family of the recipient, unless the gift is given on behalf of someone who is not a member of that family;

(5) by a lobbyist or principal as a contribution of a prize or money to purchase a prize for an event that is designed to benefit an organization that qualifies under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or

(6) to an official who acts only as the agent for the giver in making a gift to a foreign dignitary.

(c) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is given on the basis of personal friendship. A gift is presumed to be given on the basis of personal friendship if:

(1) the relationship between the giver and the recipient was established before the recipient became an official and included an exchange of gifts between the two;

(2) the giver personally paid for the gift and did not seek a tax deduction or business reimbursement for the gift; and

(3) the giver did not give or offer an equivalent gift to other officials.

(d) If an employer makes a gift in the normal course of employment to an employee, and an official benefits from the gift as the employee or as a member of the employee's family, the prohibitions in this section do not apply.

Subd. 4. [RETURN OF GIFT.] An official who accepts a gift in a good faith belief that it is lawful and returns it or gives consideration of equal or greater value for it promptly upon learning that it was not lawful is not subject to a penalty for violating this section.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.08, is amended to read:

10A.08 [REPRESENTATION DISCLOSURE.]

Any public official who represents a client for a fee before any individual, board, commission or agency that has rule making authority in a hearing conducted under chapter 14, shall disclose the official's participation in the action to the board within 14 days after the appearance. The board shall notify by certified mail ~~or personal service~~ any public official who fails to disclose the participation within 14 days after the appearance. If the public official fails to disclose the participation within ~~seven ten~~ days ~~of~~ after this notice ~~was~~ mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing on the ~~eighth~~ 11th day after ~~receiving~~ the notice ~~was~~ mailed.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.09, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. [LATE FILING.] The board shall notify by certified mail ~~or personal service~~ any individual who fails within the prescribed time to file a statement of economic interest required by this section. If an individual fails to file a statement within ~~seven ten~~ days after ~~receiving this the~~ notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing on the ~~eighth~~ 11th day after ~~receiving the~~ notice was mailed. ~~The board shall further notify by certified mail or personal service any individual who fails to file a statement within 21 days after receiving a first notice that the individual may be subject to a criminal penalty for failure to file a statement. An individual who knowingly fails to file a statement within seven 30 days after a second notice learning that the filing is required is guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.14, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. [NOTICE OF FAILURE TO FILE; PENALTY.] The board shall notify by certified mail ~~or personal service~~ any individual who fails to file a statement required by this section. If an individual fails to file a statement within ~~seven ten~~ days after ~~receiving a the~~ notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing with the ~~eighth~~ 11th day after ~~receiving the~~ notice was mailed. ~~The board shall further notify by certified mail or personal service any individual who fails to file a statement within 21 days after receiving a first notice that such individual may be subject to a criminal penalty for failure to file the report. The late filing fee may be paid out of the assets of the political committee or fund. An individual who knowingly fails to file the statement within seven 30 days after receiving a second notice from the board learning that the filing is required is guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. [DEPOSIT IN ACCOUNT.] All transfers received by or on behalf of any candidate, political committee or political fund shall be deposited in an account designated "Campaign Fund of (name of candidate, committee or fund)." All transfers shall be deposited ~~promptly upon~~ within 30 days after receipt and, ~~except for transfers received during the last three days of any reporting period as described in section 10A.20, shall be deposited during the reporting period in which they were received. Any transfer received during the last three days of a reporting period shall be deposited within 72 hours of receipt and shall be reported as received during the reporting period whether or not deposited within that period. Any deposited transfer may be returned to the contributor within 60 days of deposit. A transfer deposited and not returned within 60 days of that deposit shall be deemed for the purposes of this chapter, to be accepted by the candidate, political committee or political fund.~~

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. [LOBBYIST, POLITICAL COMMITTEE, OR POLITICAL FUND REGISTRATION NUMBER ON CHECKS.] A ~~contribution made to a candidate by a~~ lobbyist, political committee, or political fund that makes a contribution to a candidate or party unit must show on the contribution the name of the lobbyist, political committee, or political fund and the number under which it is registered with the board. A candidate or party unit may rely upon the presence or absence of a registration number in determining whether the contribution is from a

lobbyist and is not subject to a civil penalty for the failure of a contributor to comply with this subdivision. The contributor is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. [CONTRIBUTION FROM A JOINT ACCOUNT.] A contribution given by a check drawn on a joint account may be considered to be a contribution by the owners of the joint account in equal shares if the contributor notifies the recipient that that is the contributor's intent.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. [CONTRIBUTIONS NOT DISCLOSING OCCUPATION.] A political committee or political fund must return to the contributor within 60 days after it was received any contribution of more than \$100 for which the committee or fund has not recorded the name, address, and employer, or occupation if self-employed, of the contributor.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [TIME FOR FILING.] The reports shall be filed with the board on or before January 31 of each year and additional reports shall be filed as required and in accordance with clauses (a) ~~and~~, (b), and (c).

(a) In each year in which the name of the candidate is on the ballot, the report of the principal campaign committee shall be filed 15 days before a primary and ten days before a general election, seven days before a special primary and a special election, and ten days after a special election cycle. The report due after a special election may be filed on January 31 following the special election if the special election is held not more than 60 days before that date.

(b) In each general election year political committees and political funds other than principal campaign committees shall file reports ~~ten~~ 15 days before a primary and ten days before a general election.

If a scheduled filing date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the filing date shall be the next regular business day.

(c) A political committee or political fund that makes independent expenditures related to a special election shall file reports on the expenditures seven days before the special primary and special election and ten days after the special election cycle.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. [CONTENTS OF REPORT.] Each report under this section shall disclose:

(a) The amount of liquid assets on hand at the beginning of the reporting period;

(b) The name, address and employer, or occupation if self-employed, of each individual, political committee or political fund who within the year has made one or more transfers or donations in kind to the political committee or political fund, including the purchase of tickets for all fund raising efforts, which in aggregate exceed \$100 for legislative or statewide candidates or ballot questions, together with the amount and date of each transfer or donation in kind, and the aggregate amount of transfers and donations in kind within the year from each source so disclosed. A donation in kind shall be disclosed at its fair market value. An approved expenditure is listed as a donation in kind. A donation in kind is considered consumed in the reporting period in which it is received. The names of contributors shall be listed in alphabetical order;

(c) The sum of contributions to the political committee or political fund during the reporting period;

(d) Each loan made or received by the political committee or political fund within the year in aggregate in excess of \$100, continuously reported until repaid or forgiven, together with the name, address, occupation and the principal place of business, if any, of the lender and any endorser and the date and amount of the loan. If any loan made to the principal campaign

committee of a candidate is forgiven at any time or repaid by any entity other than that principal campaign committee, it shall be reported as a contribution for the year in which the loan was made;

(e) Each receipt in excess of \$100 not otherwise listed under clauses (b) to (d);

(f) The sum of all receipts of the political committee or political fund during the reporting period;

(g) The name and address of each individual or association to whom aggregate expenditures, including approved expenditures, have been made by or on behalf of the political committee or political fund within the year in excess of \$100, together with the amount, date and purpose of each expenditure and the name and address of, and office sought by, each candidate on whose behalf the expenditure was made, identification of the ballot question which the expenditure is intended to promote or defeat, and in the case of independent expenditures made in support of or opposition to a candidate, the name, address and office sought for each such candidate;

(h) The sum of all expenditures made by or on behalf of the political committee or political fund during the reporting period;

(i) The amount and nature of any advance of credit incurred by the political committee or political fund, continuously reported until paid or forgiven. If any advance of credit incurred by the principal campaign committee of a candidate is forgiven at any time by the creditor or paid by any entity other than that principal campaign committee, it shall be reported as a donation in kind for the year in which the advance of credit was incurred;

(j) The name and address of each political committee, political fund, or principal campaign committee to which aggregate transfers in excess of \$100 have been made within the year, together with the amount and date of each transfer;

(k) The sum of all transfers made by the political committee, political fund, or principal campaign committee during the reporting period;

(l) Except for contributions to a candidate or committee for a candidate for office in a municipality as defined in section 471.345, subdivision 1, the name and address of each individual or association to whom aggregate noncampaign disbursements in excess of \$100 have been made within the year by or on behalf of a principal campaign committee, political committee, or political fund, together with the amount, date, and purpose of each noncampaign disbursement;

(m) The sum of all noncampaign disbursements made within the year by or on behalf of a principal campaign committee, political committee, or political fund;

(n) The name and address of a nonprofit corporation that provides administrative assistance to a political committee or political fund as authorized by section 211B.15, subdivision 17, together with the type of administrative assistance provided and the aggregate fair market value of each type of assistance provided to the political committee or political fund during the reporting period; and

(o) A report filed under subdivision 2, clause (b), by a political committee or political fund that is subject to subdivision 14, must contain the information required by subdivision 14, if the political committee or political fund has solicited and caused others to make aggregate contributions greater than \$5,000 between January 1 of the general election year and the end of the reporting period. This disclosure requirement is in addition to the report required by subdivision 14.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. [PREELECTION REPORTS.] In any statewide election any loan, contribution, or contributions from any one source totaling \$2,000 or more, or in any legislative election totaling more than \$400, received between the last day covered in the last report prior to an election and the election shall be reported to the board in one of the following ways:

- (1) in person within 48 hours after its receipt;
- (2) by telegram or mailgram within 48 hours after its receipt; or
- (3) by certified first class mail sent received by the board within 48 hours after its receipt the contribution was received;
- (4) by facsimile transmission received by the board within 48 hours after the contribution was received; or
- (5) by any other method of electronic transmission approved by the board and received by the board within 48 hours after the contribution was received.

These loans and contributions must also be reported in the next required report.

The 48-hour notice requirement does not apply with respect to a primary if the statewide or legislative candidate is unopposed in that primary.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, subdivision 6b, is amended to read:

Subd. 6b. [INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES; NOTICE.] (a) The notice in this subdivision applies only to expenditures made in a general election year after the end of the reporting period for the report due 15 days before the primary election and made before the general election.

(b) ~~Within 24 48 hours after an individual, political committee, or political fund makes or becomes obligated by oral or written agreement to make an independent expenditure in support of a candidate in excess of \$100, other than an expenditure by an association targeted to inform solely its own dues-paying members of the association's position on a candidate the amount that may be contributed to the candidate, or in opposition to a candidate in excess of the amount that may be contributed to the candidate's opponent, the individual, political committee, or political fund shall file with the board an affidavit notifying the board a notice of the intent to make the independent expenditure and serve give a copy of the affidavit on notice to each candidate in the affected race and on to the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee. The affidavit notice must contain the information with respect to the expenditure that is required to be reported under subdivision 3, paragraph (g); except that if an expenditure is reported before it is made, the notice must include a reasonable estimate of the anticipated amount (h). Each new expenditure requires a new notice.~~

~~(b) (c) A notice is not required for an expenditure by an association targeted to inform solely its own members of the association's position on a candidate.~~

(d) An individual or the treasurer of a political committee or political fund who fails to give notice as required by this subdivision, or who files a false affidavit of notice, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and is subject to a civil fine of up to four times the amount of the independent expenditure stated in the notice or of which notice was required, whichever is greater.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. [FAILURE TO FILE; PENALTY.] The board shall notify by certified mail or personal service any individual who fails to file a statement required by this section. If an individual fails to file a statement due January 31 within seven ten days after receiving a notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed \$100, commencing on the eighth 11th day after receiving the notice was mailed. If an individual fails to file a statement due before any primary or election within three days of the date due, regardless of whether the individual has received any notice, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$50 per day, not to exceed \$500, commencing on the fourth day after the date the statement was due. The board shall further notify by certified mail or personal service any individual who fails to file any statement within 14 days after receiving a first notice from the board that the individual may be subject to a criminal penalty for failure to file a statement. The late filing fee may be paid out of the assets of the political committee or fund. An individual who knowingly fails to file the statement within seven 30 days after receiving a second notice from the board learning that the filing is required is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.20, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 15. [EQUITABLE RELIEF.] A candidate whose opponent does not timely file the report due ten days before the general election may petition the district court for immediate equitable relief to enforce the filing requirement.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.23, is amended to read:

10A.23 [CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS.]

Subdivision 1. [REPORT.] Any material changes in information previously submitted and any corrections to a report or statement shall be reported in writing to the board within ten days following the date of the event prompting the change or the date upon which the person filing became aware of the inaccuracy. The change or correction shall identify the form and the paragraph containing the information to be changed or corrected. If the board determines that a report or statement is inaccurate or incomplete, the board shall notify by certified mail the person who filed the report or statement of the need to correct it.

Subd. 2. [PENALTY.] If the person fails to file a corrected report or statement within ten days after: (1) the event prompting the change; (2) the date upon which the person filing became aware of the inaccuracy; or (3) the date the notice was mailed, the board may impose a late filing fee at the rate of \$5 a day, not to exceed \$100, commencing with the 11th day.

Any person who willfully fails to report a material change or correction is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.25, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [MAXIMUM EXPENDITURES.] (a) In a year in which an election is held for an office sought by a candidate, no expenditures shall be made by the principal campaign committee of that candidate, nor any approved expenditures made on behalf of that candidate which expenditures and approved expenditures result in an aggregate amount in excess of the following:

- (1) for governor and lieutenant governor, running together, \$1,626,691;
- (2) for attorney general, ~~\$271,116~~ \$353,200;
- (3) for secretary of state, state treasurer, and state auditor, separately, ~~\$135,559~~ \$186,400;
- (4) for state senator, \$40,669;
- (5) for state representative, \$20,335.

(b) If a special election cycle occurs during a general election cycle, expenditures by or on behalf of a candidate in the special election do not count as expenditures by or on behalf of the candidate in the general election.

(c) The expenditure limits in this subdivision for an office are increased by ten percent for a candidate who is running for that office for the first time and who has not run previously for any other office whose territory now includes a population that is more than one-third of the population in the territory of the new office.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.25, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. [EFFECT OF OPPONENT'S CONDUCT.] (a) After August 1 in an election year for the office, a candidate who has agreed to be bound by the expenditure limits imposed by this section as a condition of receiving a public subsidy for the candidate's campaign is may choose to be released from the expenditure limits but remains remain eligible to receive a public subsidy if the candidate has an opponent who does has not agree agreed to be bound by the limits and receives has received contributions or makes made or becomes become obligated to make expenditures during that election cycle in excess of the following limits:

(1) ~~up to ten days~~ during the reporting period before the primary election, receipts or expenditures equal to 20 percent of the expenditure limit for that office as set forth in subdivision 2; or

(2) ~~after ten days before the primary election~~ that reporting period, cumulative receipts or expenditures during that election cycle equal to 50 percent of the expenditure limit for that office as set forth in subdivision 2.

Before the primary election, a candidate's "opponents" are only those who will appear on the ballot of the same party in the primary election.

(b) A candidate who has not agreed to be bound by expenditure limits, or the candidate's principal campaign committee, shall file written notice with the board and provide written notice to any opponent of the candidate for the same office within 24 hours of exceeding the limits in paragraph (a), ~~clause (2)~~. The notice must state only that the candidate or candidate's principal campaign committee has received contributions or made or become obligated to make campaign expenditures in excess of the limits in paragraph (a), ~~clause (2)~~.

(c) Upon receipt of the notice ~~the~~, a candidate who has agreed to be bound by the limits is may file with the board a notice that the candidate chooses to be no longer bound by the expenditure limits. A notice of a candidate's choice not to be bound by the expenditure limits that is based on the conduct of an opponent in the state primary election may not be filed more than one day after the state canvassing board has declared the results of the state primary.

(d) A candidate who has agreed to be bound by the expenditure limits imposed by this section and whose opponent in the general election has chosen, as provided in paragraph (c), not to be bound by the expenditure limits because of the conduct of an opponent in the primary election is no longer bound by the limits but remains eligible to receive a public subsidy.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 14. [INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES BY PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES.] The principal campaign committee of a candidate may not make independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to another candidate, as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 5; or 211A.01, subdivision 3.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.255, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [METHOD OF CALCULATION.] The dollar amounts provided in section 10A.25, subdivision 2, must be adjusted for general election years as provided in this section. By June 1 of the general election year, the executive director of the board shall determine the percentage increase in the consumer price index from December of the year preceding the last general election year to December of the year preceding the year in which the determination is made. The dollar amounts used for the preceding general election year must be multiplied by that percentage. The product of the calculation must be added to each dollar amount to produce the dollar limitations to be in effect for the next general election. The product must be rounded up to the next highest whole-dollar \$100 increment. The index used must be the revised consumer price index for all urban consumers for the St. Paul-Minneapolis metropolitan area prepared by the United States Department of Labor with 1982 as a base year.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.27, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. [PROHIBITED CONTRIBUTIONS.] A candidate who accepts a public subsidy may not contribute to the candidate's own campaign more than ten times the candidate's election year contribution limit under subdivision 1, except that a candidate whose name was on the primary or general election ballot but who was not elected may contribute up to 20 times the candidate's election year contribution limit. A candidate who terminates the candidate's principal campaign committee may contribute to the committee an amount necessary to pay all or part of the debts of the committee.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.29, is amended to read:

10A.29 [CIRCUMVENTION PROHIBITED.]

Any attempt by an individual or association to circumvent the provisions of this chapter by redirecting funds or giving a gift through, or contributing funds or giving a gift on behalf of, another individual or association is a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.31, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. [DISTRIBUTION OF GENERAL ACCOUNT.] (a) Within two weeks after certification by the state canvassing board of the results of the general election, the board shall distribute the available funds in the general account, as certified by the commissioner of revenue on November 1 and according to allocations set forth in subdivision 5, in equal amounts to all candidates for each statewide office who received at least five percent of the votes cast in the general election for that office, and to all candidates for legislative office who received at least ten percent of the votes cast in the general election for the specific office for which they were candidates, provided that the public subsidy under this subdivision may not be paid in an amount that would cause the sum of the public subsidy paid from the party account plus the public subsidy paid from the general account and the public subsidy paid to match independent expenditures to exceed 50 percent of the expenditure limit for the candidate. If a candidate is entitled to receive an opponent's share of the general account public subsidy under section 10A.25, subdivision 10, the opponent's share must be excluded in calculating the 50 percent limit. Money from the general account not paid to a candidate because of the 50 percent limit must be distributed equally among all other qualifying candidates for the same office until all have reached the 50 percent limit or the balance in the general account is exhausted. The board shall not use the information contained in the report of the principal campaign committee of any candidate due ten days before the general election for the purpose of reducing the amount due that candidate from the general account.

(b) If a candidate has not yet filed a campaign finance report required by section 10A.20, subdivision 2, or the candidate owes money to the board, the board shall not pay a public subsidy to the candidate until the report has been filed or the debt has been paid, whichever applies.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.31, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. [DISTRIBUTION.] In the event that on the date of either certification by the commissioner of revenue as provided in subdivisions 6 and 7, less than 98 percent of the tax returns have been processed, the commissioner of revenue shall certify to the board by December 1 the amount accumulated in each account since the previous certification. By December 15, the board shall distribute to each candidate according to the allocations as provided in subdivision 5 the amounts to which the candidates are entitled in the form of checks made "payable to the campaign fund of(name of candidate)....." A check may include as an additional payee a financial institution named by the candidate in a notice filed with the board at least ten days before the payment was due to be made. Once the notice has been filed, the candidate may not remove or change the name of the additional payee without filing with the board the written approval of the financial institution previously named. Any money accumulated after the final certification shall be maintained in the respective accounts for distribution in the next general election year.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.315, is amended to read:

10A.315 [SPECIAL ELECTION SUBSIDY.]

(a) Each eligible candidate for a legislative office in a special election must be paid a public subsidy equal to the sum of:

(1) the party account money at the last general election for the candidate's party for the office the candidate is seeking; and

(2) the general account money paid to candidates for the same office at the last general election.

(b) If the filing period for the special election coincides with the filing period for the general election, the candidate must meet the matching requirements of section 10A.323 and the special election subsidy must be distributed in the same manner as money is distributed to legislative candidates in a general election.

(c) If the filing period for the special election does not coincide with the filing period for the general election, the procedures in this paragraph apply. A candidate who wishes to receive this public subsidy must submit a signed agreement under section 10A.322 to the board not later than the day after the candidate files the affidavit of candidacy or nominating petition for the office. The candidate must meet the matching requirements of section 10A.323, except that the candidate may count contributions received during the two months immediately preceding the special election, other than contributions the candidate has previously included on an affidavit of match for another election, and the amount of match required is one-quarter of the amount stated in section 10A.323. The special election subsidy must be distributed in the same manner as money in the party and general accounts is distributed to legislative candidates in a general election.

(d) The amount necessary to make the payments required by this ~~subdivision~~ section is appropriated from the general fund to the ~~state treasurer~~ board.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.322, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [AGREEMENT BY CANDIDATE.] (a) As a condition of receiving a public subsidy, a candidate shall sign and file with the board a written agreement in which the candidate agrees that the candidate will comply with sections 10A.25 and 10A.324.

(b) Before the first day of filing for office, the board shall forward agreement forms to all filing officers. The board shall also provide agreement forms to candidates on request at any time. The candidate may sign an agreement and submit it to the filing officer on the day of filing an affidavit of candidacy or petition to appear on the ballot, in which case the filing officer shall without delay forward signed agreements to the board. Alternatively, the candidate may submit the agreement directly to the board at any time before ~~September~~ August 1 preceding the general election. An agreement may not be filed after that date. An agreement once filed may not be rescinded.

(c) The board shall forward a copy of any agreement signed under this subdivision to the commissioner of revenue.

(d) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, when a vacancy occurs that will be filled by means of a special election and the filing period does not coincide with the filing period for the general election, a candidate may sign and submit a spending limit agreement at any time before the deadline for submission of a signed agreement under section 10A.315.

(e) A candidate who fills a vacancy in nomination that occurs after the deadline in paragraph (b) may file a spending limit agreement no later than the day after the candidate fills the vacancy.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.322, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. [REFUND RECEIPT FORMS; PENALTY.] The board shall make available to a political party as defined in section 290.06, subdivision 23, on request and to any candidate for whom an agreement under this section is effective, a supply of official refund receipt forms that state in boldface type that (1) a contributor who is given a receipt form is eligible to claim a refund as provided in section 290.06, subdivision 23, and (2) if the contribution is to a candidate, that the candidate has signed an agreement to limit campaign expenditures as provided in this section. The forms must provide duplicate copies of the receipt to be attached to the contributor's claim. A candidate who does not sign an agreement under this section and who willfully issues an official refund receipt form or a facsimile of one to any of the candidate's contributors is guilty of a misdemeanor. A principal campaign committee or party unit shall return to the board with its termination report or destroy any official receipt forms that have not been issued.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.324, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [WHEN RETURN REQUIRED.] A candidate shall return all or a portion of the public subsidy received from the state elections campaign fund or the public matching subsidy received under section 10A.315, under the circumstances in this section or section 10A.25, subdivision 11.

(a) To the extent that the amount of public subsidy received by the candidate exceeds the

expenditure limits for the office held or sought, as provided in section 10A.25 and as adjusted by section 10A.255, the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee shall return the excess to the board.

(b) To the extent that the amount of public subsidy received exceeds the aggregate of: (1) actual expenditures made by the principal campaign committee of the candidate; and (2) approved expenditures made on behalf of the candidate, the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee shall return an amount equal to the difference to the board.

(c) If the board determines that a candidate has filed an affidavit of matching contributions under section 10A.323 that is not supported by the campaign finance reports filed by the candidate under section 10A.20, the board shall notify the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee. If the treasurer fails promptly to correct the campaign finance reports to support the affidavit, the board shall withhold any public subsidy not yet paid to the candidate and demand return of any public subsidy paid to the candidate for that election cycle. The treasurer shall return the entire public subsidy to the board.

Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.34, is amended to read:

10A.34 [REMEDIES.]

Subdivision 1. [PERSONAL LIABILITY.] A person charged with a duty under ~~sections 10A.02 to 10A.34~~ shall be this chapter or section 471.895 personally liable for the penalty for failing to discharge it.

Subd. 1a. [LATE FILING FEES.] The board may bring an action in the district court in Ramsey county to recover any late filing fee or civil penalty imposed or public subsidy paid pursuant to any provision of this chapter or section 471.895. All money recovered shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

Subd. 2. [INJUNCTION.] The board or a county attorney may seek an injunction in the district court to enforce ~~the provisions of sections 10A.02 to 10A.34~~ this chapter or section 471.895.

Subd. 3. [NOT A CRIME.] Unless otherwise provided, a violation of ~~sections 10A.02 to 10A.34~~ this chapter or section 471.895 is not a crime but is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board in an amount up to \$500.

Subd. 4. [AWARD OF COSTS.] If the board prevails in an action to enforce this chapter or section 471.895, the board may request and the court may award to the board its costs, disbursements, reasonable attorney fees, and witness fees.

Subd. 5. [PENALTY FOR FALSE COMPLAINTS.] A person who knowingly makes a false or bad faith complaint or report of an alleged violation of this chapter or section 471.895 is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board of up to \$500.

Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 200.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 23. [PARTY UNIT.] "Party unit" means the state committee or the party organization within a house of the legislature, congressional district, county, legislative district, municipality, or precinct.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 201.13, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. [CHANGE OF ADDRESS; UPDATING VOTER RECORDS.] The secretary of state may periodically obtain the names and addresses of residents of this state who have filed a permanent change of address order with the United States Postal Service and report this information to the county auditors, who shall update the appropriate voters' records in the manner provided in this subdivision.

The secretary of state shall search the statewide registration system to identify registered voters whose change of address has been confirmed by mailed notice by the United States Postal Service

and shall provide the county auditors with a report on these voters. The county auditor shall update each voter's record to reflect the voter's new address in this state. The county auditor shall verify each voter's new address by nonforwardable mailed notice in the manner provided by section 201.121, subdivision 2. The county auditor shall delete from the statewide registration system the records of persons who no longer reside in this state.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 211A.02, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [INFORMATION REQUIRED.] The report to be filed by a candidate or committee must include:

- (1) the name of the candidate or ballot question;
- (2) the name and address of the person responsible for filing the report;
- (3) the total amount of receipts and expenditures for the period from the last previous report to five days before the current report is due;
- (4) the purpose for each expenditure; and
- (5) the name of any individual or committee that during the year has made one or more contributions that in the aggregate are ~~equal to or greater~~ more than \$500 \$100.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 211A.12, is amended to read:

211A.12 [CONTRIBUTION LIMITS.]

Subdivision 1. [INDIVIDUALS AND COMMITTEES.] A candidate or a candidate's committee may not accept aggregate contributions made or delivered by an individual or committee in excess of \$300 in an election year for the office sought and \$100 in other years; except that a candidate or a candidate's committee for an office whose territory has a population over 100,000 may not accept aggregate contributions made or delivered by an individual or committee in excess of \$500 in an election year for the office sought and \$100 in other years.

The following deliveries are not subject to the bundling limitation in this section:

- (1) delivery of contributions collected by a member of the candidate's committee, such as a block worker or a volunteer who hosts a fundraising event, to the committee's treasurer; and
- (2) a delivery made by an individual on behalf of the individual's spouse.

Notwithstanding sections 211A.02, subdivision 3, and 410.21, this section supersedes any home rule charter.

Subd. 2. [POLITICAL PARTIES.] A candidate and a candidate's committee together may accept contributions from political party units in aggregate up to ten times the amount that may be contributed to the candidate as set forth in subdivision 1.

Sec. 45. [211A.125] [MULTICANDIDATE POLITICAL PARTY EXPENDITURES.]

The following expenditures by a party unit, or two or more party units acting together, are not considered contributions to a candidate for the purposes of section 211A.12 and must not be allocated to candidates under section 211A.02, subdivision 2:

- (1) expenditures on behalf of candidates of that party generally without referring to any of them specifically in a published, posted, or broadcast advertisement;
- (2) expenditures for the preparation, display, mailing, or other distribution of an official party sample ballot listing the names of three or more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;
- (3) expenditures for a telephone conversation that includes the names of three or more individuals whose names are to appear on the ballot;

- (4) expenditures for a political party fundraising effort on behalf of three or more candidates; or
- (5) expenditures for party committee staff services that benefit three or more candidates.

Sec. 46. [211A.15] [INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES BY PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES.]

The principal campaign committee of a candidate may not make independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to another candidate, as defined in section 211A.01, subdivision 3; or 10A.01, subdivision 5.

Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 290.06, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. [REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICAL PARTIES AND CANDIDATES.] (a) A taxpayer may claim a refund equal to the amount of the taxpayer's contributions made in the calendar year to candidates and to any political party. The maximum refund for an individual must not exceed \$50 and, for a married couple filing jointly, must not exceed \$100. A refund of a contribution is allowed only if the taxpayer files a form required by the commissioner and attaches to the form a copy of an official refund receipt form issued by the candidate or party and signed by the candidate, the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee, or the party chair, after the contribution was received. The receipt forms must be numbered, and the data on the receipt that are not public must be made available to the campaign finance and public disclosure board upon its request. A claim must be filed with the commissioner not sooner than January 1 of the calendar year in which the contribution is made and no later than April 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the contribution is made. A taxpayer may file only one claim per calendar year. Amounts paid by the commissioner after June 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the contribution is made must include interest at the rate specified in section 270.76.

(b) No refund is allowed under this subdivision for a contribution to any candidate unless the candidate:

(1) has signed an agreement to limit campaign expenditures as provided in section 10A.322 or 10A.43;

(2) is seeking an office for which voluntary spending limits are specified in section 10A.25 or 10A.43; and

(3) has designated a principal campaign committee.

This subdivision does not limit the campaign expenditure of a candidate who does not sign an agreement but accepts a contribution for which the contributor improperly claims a refund.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "political party" means a major political party as defined in section 200.02, subdivision 7, or a minor political party qualifying for inclusion on the income tax or property tax refund form under section 10A.31, subdivision 3a.

A "major or minor party" includes the aggregate of the party organization within each house of the legislature, the state party organization, and the party organization within congressional districts, counties, and legislative districts, ~~municipalities, and precincts.~~

"Candidate" means a congressional candidate as defined in section 10A.41, subdivision 4, or a candidate as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 5, except a candidate for judicial office.

"Contribution" means a gift of money.

(d) The commissioner shall make copies of the form available to the public and candidates upon request.

(e) The following data collected or maintained by the commissioner under this subdivision are private: the identities of individuals claiming a refund, the identities of candidates to whom those individuals have made contributions, and the amount of each contribution.

(f) The commissioner shall report to the campaign finance and public disclosure board by August 1 of each year a summary showing the total number and aggregate amount of political contribution refunds made on behalf of each candidate and each political party. These data are public.

(g) The amount necessary to pay claims for the refund provided in this section is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.

Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 471.895, is amended to read:

471.895 [CERTAIN GIFTS BY INTERESTED PERSONS PROHIBITED.]

Subdivision 1. [DEFINITIONS.] (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

(b) "Family" means all the members of the recipient's grandparents by blood, marriage, or adoption, including a former spouse.

~~(c) "Gift" has the meaning given it in section 10A.071, subdivision 1 means money, real or personal property, a service, a loan, or a forbearance or forgiveness of indebtedness, that is given and received without the giver receiving consideration of equal or greater value in return.~~

~~(e) (d) "Interested person" means a person or a representative of a person or association that has a direct financial interest in a decision that a the local official receiving a gift from the person is authorized to make. To be "direct," the financial interest of the giver must be of greater consequence to the giver than the general interest of all residents or taxpayers of the official's governmental unit.~~

~~(d) (e) "Local governmental unit" means a county or a statutory or home rule charter city.~~

~~(f) "Local official" means an elected or appointed official of a county or city or of an agency, authority, or instrumentality of a county or city.~~

Subd. 2. [PROHIBITION.] An interested person may not give a gift or request another to give a gift to a local official. A local official may not accept a gift from an interested person.

Subd. 3. [EXCEPTIONS.] (a) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is:

(1) a contribution as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 7, or 211A.01, subdivision 5, or as defined by federal law for contributions to candidates for federal offices;

(2) services to assist ~~an~~ the official in the performance of official duties, including but not limited to providing advice, consultation, information, and communication in connection with legislation, and services to constituents;

(3) services of insignificant monetary value;

(4) a plaque or similar memento recognizing individual services in a field of specialty or to a charitable cause;

(5) a trinket or memento of insignificant value;

~~(6) informational material of unexceptional insignificant value or that will assist the official in the performance of official duties; or~~

~~(7) food or a beverage not to exceed \$5 in value to the recipient given by a host as part of ordinary office hospitality or at a meeting away from the offices of the governmental entity in which the recipient official holds office; or~~

~~(8) food or a beverage given at a reception, meal, or meeting away from the recipient's place of work offices of the governmental entity in which the recipient official holds office by an organization before whom the recipient appears to make a speech or answer questions as part of a program, and reasonable travel and one night's lodging expenses within the state actually incurred and necessary for participation in the program.~~

(b) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is given:

(1) because of the recipient's membership in a group, a majority of whose members are not local officials, and an equivalent gift is given or offered to the other members of the group; ~~or~~

(2) by a national or multistate organization of governmental organizations or public officials, if a majority of the dues to the organization are paid from public funds, to participants in a conference, seminar, meeting, or trip sponsored by that organization, if an equivalent gift is given or offered to all other participants, even if the gift to the local official was made possible by a gift to the organization by an interested person;

(3) to a local official attending the national convention of a major political party or the inauguration of the president of the United States, if an equivalent gift is given or offered to all other participants;

(4) by an interested person who is a member of the family of the recipient, unless the gift is given on behalf of someone who is not a member of that family;

(5) by an interested person as a contribution of a prize or money to purchase a prize for an event that is designed to benefit an organization that qualifies under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or

(6) to a local official who acts only as the agent for the giver in making a gift to a foreign dignitary.

(c) The prohibitions in this section do not apply if the gift is given on the basis of personal friendship. A gift is presumed to be given on the basis of personal friendship if:

(1) the relationship between the giver and the recipient was established before the recipient became a local official and included an exchange of gifts between the two;

(2) the giver personally paid for the gift and did not seek a tax deduction or business reimbursement for the gift; and

(3) the giver did not give or offer an equivalent gift to other officials.

(d) If an employer makes a gift in the normal course of employment to an employee, and a local official benefits from the gift as the employee or as a member of the employee's family, the prohibitions in this section do not apply.

Subd. 4. [RETURN OF GIFT.] A local official who accepts a gift in a good faith belief that it is lawful and returns it or gives consideration of equal or greater value for it promptly upon learning that it was not lawful is not subject to a penalty for violating this section.

Subd. 5. [CIRCUMVENTION PROHIBITED.] Any attempt by an individual or association to circumvent this section by making a gift through or on behalf of another individual or association is a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 49. [REPEALER.]

Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.09, subdivision 3, is repealed.

Sec. 50. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Section 42 is effective July 1, 2000."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to elections and ethics; clarifying definitions; giving the board of campaign finance and public disclosure jurisdiction over the ban on gifts to local officials; facilitating reports of last-minute contributions; clarifying campaign finance requirements; increasing certain campaign contribution and spending limits; requiring return of public subsidies

under certain conditions; making advisory opinions public data; clarifying certain definitions and prohibitions; clarifying and authorizing exceptions to the ban on gifts; providing civil penalties; providing for updated voter records; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 10A.01, subdivisions 7, 11, and 18; 10A.02, subdivisions 11, 12, and 13; 10A.03, subdivision 3; 10A.04, subdivisions 5 and 7; 10A.065, subdivisions 1, 3, and by adding a subdivision; 10A.071; 10A.08; 10A.09, subdivision 7; 10A.14, subdivision 4; 10A.15, subdivisions 3, 5, and by adding subdivisions; 10A.20, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6b, 12, and by adding a subdivision; 10A.23; 10A.25, subdivisions 2, 10, and by adding a subdivision; 10A.255, subdivision 1; 10A.27, subdivision 10; 10A.29; 10A.31, subdivisions 7 and 10; 10A.315; 10A.322, subdivisions 1 and 4; 10A.324, subdivision 1; 10A.34; 200.02, by adding a subdivision; 201.13, by adding a subdivision; 211A.02, subdivision 2; 211A.12; 290.06, subdivision 23; and 471.895; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 211A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 10A.09, subdivision 3."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Sams from the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1072: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; appropriating money for turkey respiratory disease research.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. Report adopted.

Senator Sams from the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1124: A bill for an act relating to taxation; changing the taxation of agricultural property; providing for homestead classification of agricultural property in certain instances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 273.124, subdivisions 8 and 14; 273.13, subdivision 23; and 273.1398, subdivision 1a.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 8, line 36, delete "(i)" and insert "(1)"

Page 9, line 3, delete "(i)" and insert "(1)"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Metzen from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans, to which was referred

S.F. No. 748: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for care and treatment aid; modifying placements; providing for a uniform billing system; providing for approval of education programs; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 125A.15; 125A.51; 125A.75, subdivision 3; 125A.79, by adding a subdivision; 241.021, subdivision 1; and 245A.04, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 124D; and 125A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 16, after "facility" insert ", or detention facility,"

Page 2, line 15, after "to" insert "and from"

Page 4, line 13, after "to" insert "and from"

Page 5, line 19, delete everything after the period

Page 5, delete line 20

Page 6, delete lines 23 to 25

Page 6, line 28, delete "in cooperation with the commissioners of"

Page 6, line 29, delete "human services and corrections," and delete "develop and"

Page 10, line 6, delete "in"

Page 10, delete line 7

Page 10, line 8, delete "corrections,"

Page 10, line 20, delete "WORKING GROUP" and insert "TASK FORCE"

Page 10, line 22, delete "working group" and insert "task force"

Page 10, line 24, after "facilities" insert ", including detention facilities" and delete "working group" and insert "task force"

Page 10, line 34, delete "group's" and insert "task force's"

Page 10, line 35, after the period, insert "The task force sunsets on February 1, 2000."

Page 11, line 1, delete "working group" and insert "task force"

Page 11, line 5, after "facilities" insert ", including detention facilities"

Page 11, line 34, delete "and"

Page 12, line 1, after "programs" insert "; and

(12) whether separate requirements are needed for facilities that provide education services through the school district and for facilities that provide educational services without the assistance of a school district"

Page 12, line 27, delete "developing and"

Page 12, after line 34, insert:

"Sec. 13. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Sections 1, 4, 6, 8, and 9 are effective July 1, 2000."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Moe, R.D. from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred

H.F. No. 302 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found identical and recommends the House File be given its second reading and substituted for its companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS		CONSENT CALENDAR		CALENDAR	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
				302	579

and that the above Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

Pursuant to Rule 49, this report was prepared and submitted by the Secretary of the Senate on behalf of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Report adopted.

Senator Moe, R.D. from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred

H.F. No. 49 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found identical and recommends the House File be given its second reading and substituted for its companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS		CONSENT CALENDAR		CALENDAR	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
				49	162

and that the above Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

Pursuant to Rule 49, this report was prepared and submitted by the Secretary of the Senate on behalf of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Report adopted.

Senator Moe, R.D. from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred

H.F. No. 454 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found not identical with companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS		CONSENT CALENDAR		CALENDAR	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
		454	564		

Pursuant to Rule 49, the Committee on Rules and Administration recommends that H.F. No. 454 be amended as follows:

Delete all the language after the enacting clause of H.F. No. 454 and insert the language after the enacting clause of S.F. No. 564, the first engrossment; further, delete the title of H.F. No. 454 and insert the title of S.F. No. 564, the first engrossment.

And when so amended H.F. No. 454 will be identical to S.F. No. 564, and further recommends that H.F. No. 454 be given its second reading and substituted for S.F. No. 564, and that the Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

Pursuant to Rule 49, this report was prepared and submitted by the Secretary of the Senate on behalf of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Solon from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred the following appointment as reported in the Journal for February 25, 1999:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
 COMMISSIONER
 David Jennings

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the appointment be confirmed.

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the foregoing committee report be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 184, 649, 833, 129, 416, 615 and 516 were read the second time.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H.F. Nos. 302, 49 and 454 were read the second time.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Stevens moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 483. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hanson moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 531. The motion prevailed.

Senator Stevens moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 683. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wiener moved that the name of Senator Kleis be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 926. The motion prevailed.

Senator Novak moved that the name of Senator Betzold be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 992. The motion prevailed.

Senator Fischbach moved that the name of Senator Ten Eyck be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1085. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wiger moved that the name of Senator Kleis be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1241. The motion prevailed.

Senator Lesewski moved that S.F. No. 586 be withdrawn from the Committee on Children, Families and Learning and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. The motion prevailed.

Senator Scheevel moved that S.F. No. 605 be withdrawn from the Committee on Children, Families and Learning and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. The motion prevailed.

Senator Knutson moved that S.F. No. 1060 be withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kelly, R.C. moved that S.F. No. 1194 be withdrawn from the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development and re-referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sams moved that S.F. No. 398 be withdrawn from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. The motion prevailed.

CALENDAR

H.F. No. 414: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; extending the program for control of pseudorabies in swine; appropriating money.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 57 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Higgins	Langseth	Ourada	Solon
Belanger	Hottinger	Larson	Pappas	Spear
Berg	Janezich	Lesewski	Pariseau	Stevens
Berglin	Johnson, D.E.	Limmer	Piper	Stumpf
Betzold	Johnson, D.H.	Lourey	Price	Ten Eyck
Day	Junge	Marty	Ranum	Terwilliger
Dille	Kelley, S.P.	Metzen	Robertson	Vickerman
Fischbach	Kelly, R.C.	Moe, R.D.	Robling	Wiener
Flynn	Kleis	Morse	Runbeck	Wiger
Foley	Knutson	Neuville	Sams	
Frederickson	Krentz	Oliver	Samuelson	
Hanson	Laidig	Olson	Scheevel	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

H.F. No. 248: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; permitting location of a branch bank in the town of Crooked Lake under certain conditions.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 59 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Higgins	Laidig	Oliver	Samuelson
Belanger	Hottinger	Langseth	Olson	Scheevel
Berg	Janezich	Larson	Ourada	Solon
Berglin	Johnson, D.E.	Lesewski	Pappas	Spear
Betzold	Johnson, D.H.	Limmer	Pariseau	Stevens
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Lourey	Piper	Stumpf
Dille	Junge	Marty	Price	Ten Eyck
Fischbach	Kelley, S.P.	Metzen	Ranum	Terwilliger
Flynn	Kelly, R.C.	Moe, R.D.	Robertson	Vickerman
Foley	Kleis	Morse	Robling	Wiener
Frederickson	Knutson	Neuville	Runbeck	Wiger
Hanson	Krentz	Novak	Sams	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 794: A bill for an act relating to utilities; modifying provisions of the one call excavation notice system; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 216D.06, subdivision 1.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 60 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Foley	Junge	Larson	Novak
Belanger	Frederickson	Kelley, S.P.	Lesewski	Oliver
Berg	Hanson	Kelly, R.C.	Limmer	Olson
Berglin	Higgins	Kiscaden	Lourey	Ourada
Betzold	Hottinger	Kleis	Marty	Pappas
Day	Janezich	Knutson	Metzen	Pariseau
Dille	Johnson, D.E.	Krentz	Moe, R.D.	Piper
Fischbach	Johnson, D.H.	Laidig	Morse	Price
Flynn	Johnson, J.B.	Langseth	Neuville	Ranum

Robertson	Sams	Solon	Stumpf	Vickerman
Robling	Samuelson	Spear	Ten Eyck	Wiener
Runbeck	Scheevel	Stevens	Terwilliger	Wiger

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 441: A bill for an act relating to crime prevention; modifying the criminal penalties for certain crimes to provide more uniformity; creating a pretrial diversion program for writers of dishonored checks; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 332.50, subdivision 2; 609.52, subdivision 3; 609.535, subdivision 2a; 609.631, subdivision 4; and 609.821, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 628.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 59 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Higgins	Krentz	Novak	Samuelson
Belanger	Hottinger	Laidig	Oliver	Scheevel
Berg	Janezich	Langseth	Olson	Solon
Berglin	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Ourada	Spear
Betzold	Johnson, D.H.	Lesewski	Pappas	Stevens
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Limmer	Pariseau	Stumpf
Dille	Junge	Lourey	Piper	Ten Eyck
Fischbach	Kelley, S.P.	Marty	Price	Terwilliger
Flynn	Kelly, R.C.	Metzen	Ranum	Vickerman
Foley	Kiscaden	Moe, R.D.	Robling	Wiener
Frederickson	Kleis	Morse	Runbeck	Wiger
Hanson	Knutson	Neuville	Sams	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

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S.F. No. 914: A bill for an act relating to electric utilities; revising the house chairs appointed to the legislative electric energy task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 216C.051, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 58 and nays 1, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Higgins	Krentz	Oliver	Scheevel
Belanger	Hottinger	Laidig	Olson	Solon
Berg	Janezich	Langseth	Ourada	Spear
Berglin	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Pappas	Stevens
Betzold	Johnson, D.H.	Lesewski	Pariseau	Stumpf
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Limmer	Price	Ten Eyck
Dille	Junge	Lourey	Ranum	Terwilliger
Fischbach	Kelley, S.P.	Marty	Robertson	Vickerman
Flynn	Kelly, R.C.	Metzen	Robling	Wiener
Foley	Kiscaden	Morse	Runbeck	Wiger
Frederickson	Kleis	Neuville	Sams	
Hanson	Knutson	Novak	Samuelson	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Moe, R.D.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 460: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; allowing disability license plates to be issued for vehicles modified for use by disabled persons; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 168.021, subdivision 1.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 58 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Hottinger	Langseth	Olson	Scheevel
Belanger	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Ourada	Solon
Berg	Johnson, D.H.	Lesewski	Pappas	Spear
Berglin	Johnson, J.B.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stevens
Betzold	Junge	Lourey	Piper	Stumpf
Day	Kelley, S.P.	Marty	Price	Ten Eyck
Dille	Kelly, R.C.	Metzen	Ranum	Terwilliger
Fischbach	Kiscaden	Moe, R.D.	Robertson	Vickerman
Flynn	Kleis	Morse	Robling	Wiener
Foley	Knutson	Neuville	Runbeck	Wiger
Hanson	Krentz	Novak	Sams	
Higgins	Laidig	Oliver	Samuelson	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

GENERAL ORDERS

The Senate resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, with Senator Johnson, D.E. in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and Senator Johnson, D.E. reported that the committee had considered the following:

S.F. No. 533, which the committee reports progress, after the following motion:

The question was taken on the recommendation to pass S.F. No. 533.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 19 and nays 38, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Hottinger	Lourey	Pariseau	Scheevel
Berglin	Kiscaden	Neuville	Piper	Spear
Betzold	Laidig	Olson	Robertson	Wiener
Flynn	Limmer	Pappas	Runbeck	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Belanger	Higgins	Kleis	Novak	Solon
Berg	Janezich	Knutson	Oliver	Stumpf
Day	Johnson, D.E.	Krentz	Ourada	Ten Eyck
Dille	Johnson, D.H.	Langseth	Price	Terwilliger
Fischbach	Johnson, D.J.	Lesewski	Ranum	Vickerman
Foley	Johnson, J.B.	Lessard	Robling	Wiger
Frederickson	Kelley, S.P.	Metzen	Sams	
Hanson	Kelly, R.C.	Morse	Samuelson	

The motion did not prevail. S.F. No. 533 was then progressed.

On motion of Senator Betzold, the report of the Committee of the Whole, as kept by the Secretary, was adopted.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time and referred to the committees indicated.

Senators Wiger, Sams and Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1278: A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; providing a subtraction for senior citizens; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 290.01, subdivision 19b.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Stevens; Stumpf; Johnson, D.J.; Lessard and Vickerman introduced--

S.F. No. 1279: A bill for an act relating to counties; providing for no net loss of private land; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 373.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senator Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1280: A bill for an act relating to highways; requiring commissioner of transportation to transfer excess highway easements to city of Kenyon.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Johnson, J.B. introduced--

S.F. No. 1281: A bill for an act relating to human services; changing provisions to nursing home reimbursements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senator Johnson, J.B. introduced--

S.F. No. 1282: A bill for an act relating to human services; proposing changes to nursing reimbursement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senator Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1283: A bill for an act relating to corrections; modifying the law prohibiting inmates from bringing actions to challenge the level of expenditures for rehabilitation programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 244.03.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Senators Janezich, Hottinger, Frederickson, Stumpf and Vickerman introduced--

S.F. No. 1284: A bill for an act relating to education; expanding the Minnesota talented youth math project; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senator Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1285: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing for use of certain proceeds of the mortgage registry tax and the deed tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 287.12; and 287.21, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Berg introduced--

S.F. No. 1286: A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing for a grant to the city of Madison for planning of the Madison Historic Preservation and Downtown Redevelopment Program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Berg introduced--

S.F. No. 1287: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; prohibiting taking a wild animal with a firearm within 500 feet of an occupied building on public land without permission; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 97B.001, subdivision 7.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Lessard; Johnson, D.J. and Pariseau introduced--

S.F. No. 1288: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; exempting trappers from blaze orange requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 97B.071.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Oliver introduced--

S.F. No. 1289: A bill for an act relating to alcoholic beverages; providing for termination of agreements between brewer and wholesaler under certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325B.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Vickerman, Frederickson, Lesewski, Hanson and Sams introduced--

S.F. No. 1290: A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money for a care center in the city of Westbrook.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senators Robertson, Scheid, Scheevel and Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 1291: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying special education revenue and excess cost revenue; increasing the pupil weighting for prekindergarten special education pupils; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 125A.76, subdivisions 1 and 4; 125A.79, subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision; and 126C.05, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senator Berglin introduced--

S.F. No. 1292: A bill for an act relating to the new chance program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senators Kelly, R.C. and Ten Eyck introduced--

S.F. No. 1293: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; providing for construction of new facilities for the bureau of criminal apprehension; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Senators Kelly, R.C. and Ten Eyck introduced--

S.F. No. 1294: A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for automatic external defibrillators and a study of the need for these defibrillators.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Senators Stevens; Johnson, D.E.; Wiger and Novak introduced--

S.F. No. 1295: A bill for an act relating to the environment; repealing the prohibition against certain metals in products; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 115A.9651.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Novak; Moe, R.D.; Janezich; Oliver and Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 1296: A bill for an act relating to appropriations; appropriating money to Minnesota Project Innovation.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Sams, Hottinger, Day, Larson and Vickerman introduced--

S.F. No. 1297: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; providing lending limits on loans secured by forward contracts for sale of grain; amending Minnesota Statutes, section 48.24, subdivisions 7, 8, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Dille introduced--

S.F. No. 1298: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; providing emergency payments for certain pork producers; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Fischbach introduced--

S.F. No. 1299: A bill for an act relating to education funding; authorizing an accelerated payment of health and safety revenue to independent school district No. 740, Melrose; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Foley and Johnson, J.B. introduced--

S.F. No. 1300: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; authorizing suspension of a vehicle's registration in certain circumstances; requiring a detachable form to be provided in a vehicle's certificate of title and completed under certain circumstances; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 168.17; 168A.05, subdivision 5; and 168A.10, subdivisions 1, 2, and 5.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Wiger, Scheid, Novak, Scheevel and Langseth introduced--

S.F. No. 1301: A bill for an act relating to education; creating a facilities management procedure; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 123B.57, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123B.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Wiger, Scheid, Novak, Scheevel and Langseth introduced--

S.F. No. 1302: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing funding for facilities management; requiring a local match; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 126C.10, subdivision 13.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Olson and Knutson introduced--

S.F. No. 1303: A bill for an act relating to education; recognizing cost of living differences among school districts; creating an index; adjusting the general education formula allowance; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 126C.05, by adding a subdivision; and 126C.10, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 126C.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Ten Eyck, Knutson and Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1304: A bill for an act relating to cities; authorizing the city of Bemidji to exercise the power of eminent domain for acquisition of certain trust fund land.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Langseth and Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 1305: A bill for an act relating to state finance; providing a sales tax rebate; providing for deposit of tobacco litigation settlement proceeds; abolishing the tax reform and reduction account; appropriating money for capital improvements related to housing, bridges, polluted lands and waters, and information technology projects; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Limmer, Ourada, Scheid and Kleis introduced--

S.F. No. 1306: A bill for an act relating to highways; requiring commissioner of transportation to expand capacity on a segment of marked interstate highway No. I-94.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Higgins; Krentz; Johnson, J.B.; Lessard and Laidig introduced--

S.F. No. 1307: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for the Minnesota conservation corps.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Ten Eyck; Moe, R.D.; Johnson, D.J.; Johnson, D.E. and Hottinger introduced--

S.F. No. 1308: A bill for an act relating to courts; providing for state funding of certain programs and personnel; providing for state funding of court administration costs in specified judicial districts; requesting further study; establishing collective bargaining provisions for court employees; imposing taxes; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 43A.02, subdivision 25; 43A.24, subdivision 2; 97A.065, subdivision 2; 179A.03, subdivisions 7, 14, 15, and by adding a subdivision; 179A.06, subdivision 2; 179A.10, subdivision 4; 179A.12, subdivision 4; 179A.22, subdivisions 2 and 3; 243.50; 253B.23, subdivisions 1 and 8; 257.69, subdivision 2; 260.251, subdivisions 2 and 5; 260.56; 273.1398, by adding a subdivision; 299D.03, subdivision 5; 357.021, subdivision 1a; 466.01, subdivision 6; 480.181, subdivision 1; 484.64, subdivision 3; 484.65, subdivision 3; 485.018, subdivisions 2, 5, and 6; 485.03; 485.27; 487.02, subdivision 2; 487.10, subdivision 4; 487.32, subdivision 3; 487.33, subdivision 5; 518.165, subdivision 3; 546.13; 546.44, subdivision 3; 563.01, subdivisions 2, 9, and 10; 574.34, subdivision 1; and 611.33, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 179A; and 480; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 357.021, subdivision 2a; and 563.01, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Moe, R.D.; Morse; Langseth; Berg and Stumpf introduced--

S.F. No. 1309: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for flood water management in the Red river basin.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Vickerman; Frederickson; Johnson, J.B. and Morse introduced--

S.F. No. 1310: A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing for a grant to the city of Bingham Lake for connection of its wastewater system to the city of Windom; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Kelley, S.P.; Lesewski; Frederickson; Janezich and Higgins introduced--

S.F. No. 1311: A bill for an act relating to economic development; creating demonstration projects for economic and community development through telecommunications technology; providing funding for regional electronic commerce incentives; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116J.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Higgins, Foley, Pappas, Lesewski and Janezich introduced--

S.F. No. 1312: A bill for an act relating to children; requiring the commissioner of children, families, and learning to encourage businesses and other organizations to donate materials for families to help their children develop skills to succeed in reading and school.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Limmer, Ourada, Laidig and Novak introduced--

S.F. No. 1313: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; making a WIF program grant to the city of Dayton; authorizing state bonds; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Laidig introduced--

S.F. No. 1314: A bill for an act relating to appropriations; authorizing state bonds; appropriating money to rebuild and fortify the historic Territorial Prison Wall in Stillwater.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Solon; Johnson, D.J.; Lessard and Janezich introduced--

S.F. No. 1315: A bill for an act relating to community development; providing funding for the natural resources research institute; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Scheid, Vickerman and Belanger introduced--

S.F. No. 1316: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; changing the class of certain utility property; removing certain limits on utility property; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 273.13, subdivisions 24 and 31.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senators Berglin, Kiscaden, Novak, Runbeck and Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1317: A bill for an act relating to health care; adding to the duties of the job skills partnership board; establishing a health care and human services worker training and retention program; requiring state colleges and universities to offer a short-term health care and human services course; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 116L.02; and 136F.71, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 116L; 136A; 136F; and 256B.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senators Lourey and Lessard introduced--

S.F. No. 1318: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for a grant to independent school district No. 4, McGregor; permitting McGregor school district to levy for energy improvements; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Sams, Murphy, Janezich, Larson and Olson introduced--

S.F. No. 1319: A bill for an act relating to education; amending secondary career and technical education funding; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 124D.453, subdivisions 1, 3, 7, and by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 124D.453, subdivisions 4, 5, and 6.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senator Metzen introduced--

S.F. No. 1320: A bill for an act relating to the military; appropriating money to assist in the operation and staffing of the Minnesota national guard youth camp at Camp Ripley.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Senator Limmer introduced--

S.F. No. 1321: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; precluding certain actions that arise as a result of year 2000 problems.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Limmer, Spear and Anderson introduced--

S.F. No. 1322: A bill for an act relating to courts; jurors; authorizing the court to tax parties in a civil action for hardship expenses incurred by a juror; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 593.48.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Pappas; Kelly, R.C.; Anderson and Cohen introduced--

S.F. No. 1323: A bill for an act relating to community development; providing funding for the community resources program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 1324: A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; imposing disqualification and civil penalties on commercial motor vehicle operator for violating out-of-service order; allocating penalty proceeds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 171.165, by adding subdivisions.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 1325: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; regulating low-speed vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.045.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 1326: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; regulating vehicle weight inspections; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.85, subdivisions 1 and 3.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 1327: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring DNA specimen of predatory offender; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 609.3461, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Senators Novak, Metzen, Belanger, Spear and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1328: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; providing for the debiting of checks; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 48.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Vickerman, Janezich, Scheevel, Metzen and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1329: A bill for an act relating to cities; limiting license fees on coin and currency activated amusement machines; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 449.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senators Solon, Metzen and Belanger introduced--

S.F. No. 1330: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; regulating fees, charges, and time periods; authorizing certain part-time banking locations; making corrections and conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 46.041, subdivisions 1 and 3; 46.048, subdivisions 1 and 2b; 46.131, subdivision 10; 47.0156; 47.101, subdivision 3; 47.27, subdivision 3; 47.52; 47.54, subdivisions 2 and 3; 47.60, subdivision 3; 48.15, subdivision 3; 48A.15, subdivision 1; 49.36, subdivision 1; 52.01; 53.03, subdivisions 1, 6, and 7; 55.04, subdivision 2; 56.02; 59A.03, subdivision 2; 168.67; 303.25, subdivision 5; 332.15, subdivisions 2 and 3; 332.17; and 332.30.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Solon introduced--

S.F. No. 1331: A bill for an act relating to liquor; extending tour boat liquor license season; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 340A.404, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Metzen, Vickerman, Laidig, Knutson and Pariseau introduced--

S.F. No. 1332: A bill for an act relating to the environment; appropriating money for the operating costs of the children's farm at the Minnesota Zoological Gardens.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Johnson, D.E.; Morse; Hanson; Johnson, J.B. and Moe, R.D. introduced--

S.F. No. 1333: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; requiring rules to be adopted on the amount of land applied phosphorus generated by feedlots; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1334: A bill for an act relating to insurance; extending the age limit for health coverage for cleft lip and cleft palate to conform to the current required age limit for dependent coverage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 62A.042; and 62C.14, subdivision 14.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1335: A bill for an act relating to taxes; sales and use taxes; exempting the purchase of construction materials used in building a community center; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 297A.25, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Murphy; Flynn; Kelly, R.C.; Cohen and Kleis introduced--

S.F. No. 1336: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; establishing a vehicle insurance and registration monitoring program; requiring insurance companies to report information; requiring preparation of databases to identify uninsured motorists and improperly registered vehicles; prescribing a penalty; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.796, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 65B; and 169.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Hottinger, Cohen, Wiener, Solon and Kleis introduced--

S.F. No. 1337: A bill for an act relating to accountants; modifying licensing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 326.19, subdivisions 1, 2, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Kleis, Laidig, Day, Scheid and Marty introduced--

S.F. No. 1338: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, sections 2 and 3, and by adding a new article; providing for establishment of the boundaries of congressional and legislative districts by a commission; limiting the power of the legislature to change the number of senators and representatives.

Referred to the Committee on Election Laws.

Senators Metzen, Murphy, Price, Wiger and Dille introduced--

S.F. No. 1339: A bill for an act relating to veterans; appropriating money for a national World War II memorial.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Senators Laidig and Belanger introduced--

S.F. No. 1340: A bill for an act relating to state lands; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land that borders wetland in Washington county.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Wiener, Stumpf, Kleis, Larson and Kelley, S.P. introduced--

S.F. No. 1341: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying the database access program for public libraries and school media centers; appropriating money to the higher education services office for the database access program; amending Laws 1998, chapter 398, article 9, section 7, subdivisions 1 and 2; repealing Laws 1998, chapter 398, article 9, section 7, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Hottinger, Belanger, Novak, Oliver and Kelly, R.C. introduced--

S.F. No. 1342: A bill for an act relating to liquor; modifying the direct shipment law; requiring permits for common carriers and delivery agents; increasing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 340A.3021, subdivision 2; 340A.417; and 340A.801, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Wiger and Krentz introduced--

S.F. No. 1343: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for an alternative calendar demonstration project in independent school district No. 624, White Bear Lake; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Hottinger; Belanger; Kelley, S.P.; Johnson, D.J. and Vickerman introduced--

S.F. No. 1344: A bill for an act relating to income taxes; modifying the percentages for the working family credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 290.0671, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Metzen introduced--

S.F. No. 1345: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing earnings limitations for persons who resume teaching service after retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 354.44, subdivision 5; and 354A.31, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Senators Lourey; Moe, R.D.; Janezich; Runbeck and Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 1346: A bill for an act relating to community development; providing a grant for the Camp Heartland center; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1347: A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing for a planning grant to the city of Little Falls for a fishing museum and environmental education center; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Johnson, J.B.; Scheid; Pappas; Wiener and Pogemiller introduced--

S.F. No. 1348: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a collaborative pilot program to enhance teacher training opportunities by directly involving public colleges and school districts; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senator Junge introduced--

S.F. No. 1349: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for substitute teacher state-paid medical benefits; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 122A.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Lourey, Kiscaden, Samuelson and Dille introduced--

S.F. No. 1350: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing requirements for the Minnesota health data institute to prepare and issue public reports assessing performance and consumer perceptions; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 62J.451, subdivisions 6a, 6b, and 6c.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senator Frederickson introduced--

S.F. No. 1351: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; redefining types of school buses to increase by two persons their maximum manufacturer's rated seating capacity; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.01, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Frederickson and Morse introduced--

S.F. No. 1352: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; allowing certain land to be enrolled in more than one state or federal conservation program; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 103F.515, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Janezich, Morse, Sams, Terwilliger and Stevens introduced--

S.F. No. 1353: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a planning and transition grant program for providers of older adult services; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senator Kelley, S.P. introduced--

S.F. No. 1354: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a school-linked prevention and early intervention grant program for children ages 5 to 12; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Metzen, Wiener, Knutson and Pariseau introduced--

S.F. No. 1355: A bill for an act relating to Dakota county; changing the name of the Dakota county housing and redevelopment authority; providing for the powers of the Dakota county community development agency; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 383D.41, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and by adding subdivisions.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Krentz introduced--

S.F. No. 1356: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the income limit for retired teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 354.44, subdivision 5; and 354A.31, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Senators Novak, Runbeck and Hanson introduced--

S.F. No. 1357: A bill for an act relating to utilities; modifying conservation improvement program provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 216B.16, subdivision 6b; and 216B.241, subdivisions 1a, 1b, and 2b.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senators Robling, Lourey and Lesewski introduced--

S.F. No. 1358: A bill for an act relating to child care; modifying assistance through the at-home infant care program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 119B.061.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senator Robling introduced--

S.F. No. 1359: A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing for a grant to the city of Jordan for a wastewater treatment facility; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Senator Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1360: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying payment rate determination for intermediate care facilities; requiring a local system needs planning process; establishing a statewide advisory committee; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 252.28, subdivision 1; and 256B.5011, subdivisions 1 and 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 252; and 256B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 144.0723; 256B.501, subdivision 3g; and 256B.5011, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senators Hottinger, Kiscaden, Lourey, Piper and Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1361: A bill for an act relating to human services; creating a group residential housing block grant pilot project; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

Senator Samuelson introduced--

S.F. No. 1362: A bill for an act relating to education; allowing a grant applicant to appeal the commissioner's finding that the applicant has failed to meet grant criteria; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 127A.05, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Vickerman, Hottinger and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1363: A bill for an act relating to water; supporting the Blue Earth river basin initiative; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103F.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Vickerman and Frederickson introduced--

S.F. No. 1364: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money to independent school district No. 81, Comfrey, for tornado damage.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Higgins, Laidig and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1365: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing for the disposition of

fees collected for the Minnesota conservation corps; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 84.98, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Robertson; Kelley, S.P.; Pogemiller; Krentz and Olson introduced--

S.F. No. 1366: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying provisions related to telecommunications access grants; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 125B.20.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Stumpf, Dille and Price introduced--

S.F. No. 1367: A bill for an act relating to the environment; modifying provisions relating to wastewater treatment; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 115.07; 116.16, subdivision 2; and 116.182, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Knutson, Solon, Wiener, Metzen and Belanger introduced--

S.F. No. 1368: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating contracts for architects, engineers, surveyors, landscape architects, geoscientists, and interior designers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 16C.08, subdivision 5; and 337.10, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Laidig introduced--

S.F. No. 1369: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; limiting liability for personal injury or death caused by equine activities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 604A.12, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 604A.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Anderson, Piper, Morse and Hanson introduced--

S.F. No. 1370: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; providing for joint and several liability for permit violations of owners of animals in feedlots; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Anderson introduced--

S.F. No. 1371: A bill for an act relating to real property; modifying requirements for recording contracts for deed; specifying minimum contents of contracts for deed; establishing a civil cause of action; providing for preparation of a sample form and educational materials; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 507.235, subdivisions 1 and 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 559.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Hottinger and Solon introduced--

S.F. No. 1372: A bill for an act relating to local government; providing an alternative collateral

pool for deposit and investment of local public funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 118A.01, by adding subdivisions; and 118A.02, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 118A.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Spear, Pappas, Higgins, Pogemiller and Robertson introduced--

S.F. No. 1373: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a grant program to prevent violence through the creation and development of songs, performances, and educational resources; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Sams, Morse, Langseth and Frederickson introduced--

S.F. No. 1374: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; expanding eligibility for certain agricultural chemical response reimbursements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 18E.02, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senators Fischbach, Kleis and Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 1375: A bill for an act relating to Stearns county; ratifying certain tax increment financing actions.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senators Morse, Janezich, Foley and Junge introduced--

S.F. No. 1376: A bill for an act relating to local government; providing for a planning grant for a collaborative city-county-school district administration and community education facility; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Kleis and Fischbach introduced--

S.F. No. 1377: A bill for an act relating to tax increment financing; authorizing certain expenditures of tax increment revenues by the St. Cloud housing and redevelopment authority.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senator Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 1378: A bill for an act relating to education funding; authorizing a technology grant for independent school district No. 542, Battle Lake.

Referred to the Committee on Children, Families and Learning.

Senators Scheid, Olson, Murphy, Price and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 1379: A bill for an act relating to taxation; repealing the payment and refund requirements relating to sales of exempt capital equipment; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 289A.56, subdivision 4; 297A.2572; and 297A.2573; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 297A.15, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Laidig introduced--

S.F. No. 1380: A bill for an act relating to taxation; authorizing the division into city urban and rural service districts pursuant to annexation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 272.67, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Local and Metropolitan Government.

Senators Scheid; Johnson, D.J.; Belanger and Knutson introduced--

S.F. No. 1381: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; exempting machinery and equipment used to convert to digital television signals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 297A.25, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Cohen, Murphy and Scheid were excused from the Session of today. Senator Johnson, J.B. was excused from the Session of today from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. Senator Lessard was excused from the Session of today from 8:30 to 9:05 a.m. Senator Pogemiller was excused from the Session of today from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. Senator Johnson, D.J. was excused from the Session of today from 8:30 to 9:35 a.m. Senator Larson was excused from the Session of today at 9:30 a.m. Senators Junge and Moe, R.D. were excused from the Session of today from 10:15 to 10:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Monday, March 8, 1999. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate

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