

TWENTY-FIRST DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, February 26, 2007

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Pogemiller imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Adam Spilker.

The members of the Senate gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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

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| Anderson | Frederickson | Lourey | Pariseau | Skoe |
| Bakk | Gerlach | Lynch | Pogemiller | Skogen |
| Berglin | Gimse | Marty | Prettner Solon | Sparks |
| Betzold | Hann | Metzen | Rest | Stumpf |
| Bonoff | Higgins | Michel | Robling | Tomassoni |
| Carlson | Ingebrigtsen | Moua | Rosen | Torres Ray |
| Chaudhary | Johnson | Murphy | Rummel | Vandever |
| Clark | Koch | Neuville | Saltzman | Vickerman |
| Cohen | Koering | Olseen | Saxhaug | Wergin |
| Day | Kubly | Olson, G. | Scheid | Wiger |
| Doll | Larson | Olson, M. | Senjem | |
| Erickson Ropes | Latz | Ortman | Sheran | |
| Fischbach | Limmer | Pappas | Sieben | |

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.

February 21, 2007

The Honorable James P. Metzen
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Metzen:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

CLEAN WATER COUNCIL

David Bennett, 109 Crystal View Cir., Burnsville, in the county of Dakota, effective February 26, 2007, for a term that expires on January 5, 2009.

Christopher Kolbert, 101 Richland Ave., St. Charles, in the county of Winona, effective February 26, 2007, for a term that expires on January 3, 2011.

Gary Pedersen, 17822 - 60th St. S.E., Dover, in the county of Olmsted, effective February 26, 2007, for a term that expires on January 3, 2011.

(Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.)

Sincerely,
Tim Pawlenty, Governor

February 22, 2007

The Honorable James P. Metzen
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Metzen:

As the Senate Minority Leader, I am hereby making the following appointment:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2006

Section 15A.082: Compensation Council - Senator Paul Koering, for a term ending upon the submission of the recommendations of the Council.

Sincerely,
David H. Senjem
Senate Republican Leader

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Pogemiller moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the report pertaining to appointments. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wiger from the Committee on Education, to which was referred

S.F. No. 579: A bill for an act relating to education; expanding early childhood developmental screening; establishing a developmental assessment at kindergarten entrance; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 124D.13, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 124D.135, subdivisions 1, 6.

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

Page 3, delete section 5 and insert:

"Sec. 5. [124D.1625] EXPANDING MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENTAL ASSESSMENT ADMINISTERED TO ENTERING KINDERGARTNERS.

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The commissioner of education shall implement a kindergarten readiness assessment, based on the 2002-2003 model the department developed for school readiness studies, to expand to all school districts the developmental assessment that districts voluntarily administer to entering kindergartners. The department shall also set biennial milestones for measuring progress based on the number of children demonstrating proficiency on all assessment measures.

Subd. 2. **Description.** (a) The commissioner of education must implement the voluntary school readiness kindergarten assessment initiative as follows:

- (1) in 2009, assess up to 30 percent of children;
- (2) in 2010, assess up to 50 percent of children;
- (3) in 2011, assess up to 75 percent of children; and
- (4) in 2012, assess up to 100 percent of children.

(b) The commissioner must report the assessment results for the current school year to the legislature by January 1 of the next year.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2007."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

Senator Wiger from the Committee on Education, to which was referred

S.F. No. 465: A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing the length of the school year; repealing the Labor Day start; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 120A.41; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 120A.40.

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

Senator Wiger from the Committee on Education, to which was referred

S.F. No. 646: A bill for an act relating to education; prohibiting electronic and Internet intimidation and bullying; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 121A.0695.

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

Senator Wiger from the Committee on Education, to which was referred

S.F. No. 381: A bill for an act relating to education; repealing the Labor Day start provisions; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 120A.40.

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

Senator Metzen from the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs, to which was referred

S.F. No. 543: A resolution memorializing Congress to support the Employee Free Choice Act relating to workers' rights to form and join unions.

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

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

S.F. No. 281: A bill for an act relating to human services; allowing contracts with nursing facilities for the provision of additional specialized services; modifying reimbursement for short-stay residents; increasing nursing facility operating payment rates; implementing new case mix indices and providing interim rate adjustments; rebasing nursing facility rates; providing additional nursing facility quality add-ons; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 256B.431, subdivisions 2e, 32; 256B.434, by adding a subdivision; 256B.438, by adding a subdivision; 256B.441, subdivisions 1, 46.

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

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

S.F. No. 843: A bill for an act relating to human services; providing a rate increase for intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities, community service providers, and nursing facilities; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.5012, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 2, line 18, after the second comma, insert "or, for facilities that qualify under paragraph (b), clause (24), the operating payment rate,"

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

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

S.F. No. 286: A bill for an act relating to human services; adjusting medical assistance operating payment rates for low-payment rate nursing facilities; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.434, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 8, delete "year" and insert "years"

Page 1, line 9, after the second comma, insert "and October 1, 2008,"

Page 1, line 19, after the second comma, insert "and September 30, 2008, "

Page 1, line 22, delete "September 30, 2007," and insert "October 1, 2007, and October 1, 2008,"

Page 2, line 9, delete "the rate"

Page 2, delete lines 10 and 11 and insert "any other rate adjustments effective on the same day."

Page 2, line 13, delete the second "\$4,500,000" and insert "\$11,250,000"

Page 2, line 14, delete "is" and insert "are"

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

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

S.F. No. 178: A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing payment rates for nursing facilities in specified counties to the geographic group III median rate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 8, after "Isanti," insert "Pine, Kanabec, Meeker,"

Page 1, line 9, after "counties" insert "and the city of Duluth"

Page 1, line 10, after "Isanti," insert "Pine, Kanabec, Meeker," and after "counties" insert "and the city of Duluth"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 377: A bill for an act relating to human services; authorizing a planned closure rate adjustment for a nursing facility in Big Stone County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.437, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 8, delete "time period"

Page 1, line 9, delete "specified in subdivision 3" and insert "requirements of this section"

Page 1, line 11, delete "subdivision" and insert "subdivisions 3 and"

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

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

S.F. No. 261: A bill for an act relating to human services; providing additional criteria for ranking nursing facility moratorium exception proposals; increasing the limit on allowable interest on equipment; increasing the replacement-cost-new per bed limit; providing reimbursement for certain nursing facility property costs; authorizing funding of moratorium exception projects; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 144A.073, subdivision 4; 256B.431, subdivisions 17a, 17e; 256B.434, by adding a subdivision.

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

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

S.F. No. 679: A bill for an act relating to human services; providing long-term care provider rate increases; requiring the use of new nursing facility case mix indices; providing an exemption from the MinnesotaCare program prohibition on employer-subsidized coverage; requiring workforce initiatives; requiring a study of nursing facility rate rebasing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 256B.434, by adding subdivisions; 256B.438, by adding a subdivision; 256B.5012, by adding a subdivision; 256L.07, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256.

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

Senator Chaudhary from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, to which was referred

S.F. No. 235: A bill for an act relating to environment; providing for collection, transportation, and recycling of video display devices; providing civil penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115A.

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

Page 4, delete line 25 and insert "under paragraph (a), a statement disclosing whether:"

Page 4, before line 26, insert:

"(1) any video display devices sold to"

Page 4, line 30, delete the period, and insert "; or"

Page 4, after line 30, insert:

"(2) the manufacturer has received an exemption from one or more of those maximum concentration values under the RoHS Director that has been approved and published by the European Commission."

Page 6, line 2, delete "\$2,500" and insert "\$5,000"

Page 6, delete line 10 and insert "set at 0.8 for the first program year and 1.0 for each subsequent program year;"

Page 6, line 29, delete "1.3" and insert "1.5"

Page 7, line 8, delete "such" and insert "the"

Page 7, line 13, delete "September" and insert "August"

Page 7, line 14, delete "must" and insert "may" and before "weight" insert "total"

Page 7, line 16, delete everything after the period

Page 7, delete line 17 and insert:

"(b) By August 1 of each year, beginning in 2008, each manufacturer must report to the department:

(1) the total weight of video display devices the manufacturer sold to households during the previous year, and how that amount was calculated; or

(2) an estimate of the total weight of video display devices the manufacturer sold to households during the previous year based on national sales data, and how that estimate was calculated."

Page 7, line 18, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)"

Page 7, line 19, after "devices" insert "the manufacturer"

Page 7, line 20, after "recycled" insert "or arranged to have collected and recycled"

Page 7, line 21, delete "1.3" and insert "1.5"

Page 7, line 25, delete "(c)" and insert "(d)"

Page 8, line 12, delete "(d)" and insert "(e)"

Page 8, after line 25, insert:

"(e) A manufacturer must provide the agency with contact information for a person who can be contacted regarding the manufacturer's activities under sections 115A.1310 to 115A.1320."

Page 10, line 9, after the period, insert "If the revenues in the account exceed the amount that the agency determines is necessary for efficient and effective administration of the program, including any amount for contingencies, the agency must recommend to the legislature that either the base registration fee or the estimated per pound cost of recycling established under section 115A.1314, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), or both, be lowered in order to reduce revenues collected in the subsequent program year by the estimated amount of the excess."

Page 10, after line 31, insert:

"(j) The agency shall develop a form retailers must use to report information to manufacturers under section 115A.1318 and post it on the agency's Web site.

(k) The agency shall post on its Web site the contact information provided by each manufacturer under section 115A.1318, subdivision 1."

Page 10, line 33, after "the" insert "total"

Page 10, line 34, delete everything after the comma, and insert "if provided; the total weight of video display devices sold to households; the total weight of covered electronic devices"

Page 10, line 35, delete the first comma and insert a semicolon

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

Senator Cohen from the Committee on Finance, to which was referred

S.F. No. 227: A bill for an act relating to the Rural Finance Authority; providing for sale of bonds; appropriating money.

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

Page 1, line 6, delete "\$15,000,000" and insert "\$25,000,000"

Page 1, line 22, delete "\$15,000,000" and insert "\$25,000,000"

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

Senator Cohen from the Committee on Finance, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 60: A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing the city of Duluth to establish accounts to pay for postemployment benefits owed to retired employees and to generate revenue dedicated to meet certain city obligations; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 11A and 353.

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

Page 1, line 10, after "city" insert "of Duluth"

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

Senator Cohen from the Committee on Finance, to which was referred

H.F. No. 160: A bill for an act relating to finance; authorizing transfer of appropriations within the Help America Vote Act account; amending Laws 2005, chapter 162, section 34, subdivision 6.

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

Senator Cohen from the Committee on Finance, to which was referred

H.F. No. 87: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing expenditures to

predesign an Asian Pacific Cultural Center in St. Paul; amending Laws 2006, chapter 258, section 21, subdivision 21.

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

Senator Rest from the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight, to which was referred

S.F. No. 736: A bill for an act relating to local government; renaming the Metropolitan Intercounty Association; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 353.01, subdivision 6; 383D.48; 471.61, subdivision 1.

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

Senator Rest from the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight, to which were referred the following appointments:

BOARD OF THE ARTS

Matthew Anderson

Margaret Rapp

Pam Perri Weaver

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

Senator Pogemiller moved that the foregoing committee report be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 646, 227, 60 and 736 were read the second time.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H.F. Nos. 160 and 87 were read the second time.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Wergin moved that the name of Senator Prettner Solon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 178. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gimse moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 246. The motion prevailed.

Senator Erickson Ropes moved that the name of Senator Metzen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 399. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wergin moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 579. The motion prevailed.

Senator Torres Ray moved that the name of Senator Sieben be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 923. The motion prevailed.

Senator Scheid moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1177. The motion prevailed.

Senator Carlson moved that the name of Senator Murphy be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1181. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koch moved that the name of Senator Frederickson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1186. The motion prevailed.

Senator Lourey moved that the names of Senators Dille, Kubly, Skogen and Koering be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 1189. The motion prevailed.

Senator Betzold moved that S.F. No. 47 be withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wergin moved that S.F. No. 389 be withdrawn from the Committee on Finance and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. The motion prevailed.

Senator Larson moved that S.F. No. 725 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on Higher Education. The motion prevailed.

Senator Saxhaug moved that S.F. No. 850 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sparks introduced –

Senate Resolution No. 48: A Senate resolution congratulating Scott Decker of Adams, Minnesota, for receiving the Eagle Award.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Ingebrigtsen introduced –

Senate Resolution No. 49: A Senate resolution honoring Jefferson High School senior Rachel Boyle for being named a National Merit Semifinalist.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Ingebrigtsen introduced –

Senate Resolution No. 50: A Senate resolution honoring Jefferson High School senior Josh Doebbert for being named a National Merit Semifinalist.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Torres Ray moved that S.F. No. 578 be withdrawn from the Committee on Finance and

re-referred to the Committee on Education. The motion prevailed.

Senator Betzold moved that S.F. No. 624, No. 1 on General Orders, be stricken and re-referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed.

CALENDAR

S.F. No. 106: A bill for an act relating to the legislature; changing the timing for payment of compensation to legislators; authorizing payments for additional travel during special sessions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 3.099, subdivision 1; 3.103.

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 50 and nays 10, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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| Anderson | Erickson Ropes | Lourey | Pappas | Sheran |
| Berglin | Frederickson | Lynch | Pogemiller | Sieben |
| Betzold | Gerlach | Marty | Prettner Solon | Skoe |
| Bonoff | Higgins | Metzen | Rest | Skogen |
| Carlson | Ingebrigtsen | Michel | Rosen | Sparks |
| Chaudhary | Johnson | Moua | Rummel | Stumpf |
| Clark | Koering | Murphy | Saltzman | Tomassoni |
| Cohen | Kubly | Neuville | Saxhaug | Torres Ray |
| Day | Larson | Olseen | Scheid | Vickerman |
| Doll | Latz | Olson, M. | Senjem | Wiger |

Those who voted in the negative were:

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| Fischbach | Hann | Limmer | Ortman | Vandevveer |
| Gimse | Koch | Olson, G. | Robling | Wergin |

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 13: A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to carry through on their pledge to fund 40 percent of special education costs.

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

The question was taken on the passage of the resolution.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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| Anderson | Frederickson | Limmer | Ortman | Senjem |
| Berglin | Gerlach | Lourey | Pappas | Sheran |
| Betzold | Gimse | Lynch | Pariseau | Sieben |
| Bonoff | Hann | Marty | Pogemiller | Skoe |
| Carlson | Higgins | Metzen | Prettner Solon | Skogen |
| Chaudhary | Ingebrigtsen | Michel | Rest | Sparks |
| Clark | Johnson | Moua | Robling | Stumpf |
| Cohen | Koch | Murphy | Rosen | Tomassoni |
| Day | Koering | Neuville | Rummel | Torres Ray |
| Doll | Kubly | Olseen | Saltzman | Vandevveer |
| Erickson Ropes | Larson | Olson, G. | Saxhaug | Vickerman |
| Fischbach | Latz | Olson, M. | Scheid | Wergin |

Wiger

So the resolution passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 65: A resolution memorializing the President and Congress and others to protect the Great Lakes from aquatic invasive species.

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

The question was taken on the passage of the resolution.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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| Anderson | Gerlach | Lynch | Pogemiller | Skogen |
| Berglin | Gimse | Marty | Prettner Solon | Sparks |
| Betzold | Hann | Metzen | Rest | Stumpf |
| Bonoff | Higgins | Michel | Robling | Tomassoni |
| Carlson | Ingebrigtsen | Moua | Rosen | Torres Ray |
| Chaudhary | Johnson | Murphy | Rummel | Vandever |
| Clark | Koch | Neuville | Saltzman | Vickerman |
| Cohen | Koering | Olseen | Saxhaug | Wergin |
| Day | Kubly | Olson, G. | Scheid | Wiger |
| Doll | Larson | Olson, M. | Senjem | |
| Erickson Ropes | Latz | Ortman | Sheran | |
| Fischbach | Limmer | Pappas | Sieben | |
| Frederickson | Lourey | Pariseau | Skoe | |

So the resolution passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 555: A bill for an act relating to health; extending essential community provider designation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 62Q.19, subdivisions 2, 6.

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 62 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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| Anderson | Frederickson | Lourey | Pariseau | Skoe |
| Bakk | Gerlach | Lynch | Pogemiller | Skogen |
| Berglin | Gimse | Marty | Prettner Solon | Sparks |
| Betzold | Hann | Metzen | Rest | Stumpf |
| Bonoff | Higgins | Michel | Robling | Tomassoni |
| Carlson | Ingebrigtsen | Moua | Rosen | Torres Ray |
| Chaudhary | Johnson | Murphy | Rummel | Vandever |
| Clark | Koch | Neuville | Saltzman | Vickerman |
| Cohen | Koering | Olseen | Saxhaug | Wergin |
| Day | Kubly | Olson, G. | Scheid | Wiger |
| Doll | Larson | Olson, M. | Senjem | |
| Erickson Ropes | Latz | Ortman | Sheran | |
| Fischbach | Limmer | Pappas | Sieben | |

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

GENERAL ORDERS

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

After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and Senator Metzen reported that the committee had considered the following:

S.F. Nos. 660, 226 and 483, which the committee recommends to pass.

S.F. No. 458, which the committee recommends to pass with the following amendment offered by Senator Ortman:

Page 2, line 22, strike "seven" and insert "20"

Page 2, lines 24 to 28, delete the new language

Senator Ortman requested division as follows:

First portion:

Page 2, line 22, strike "seven" and insert "20"

The question was taken on the adoption of the first portion of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 46 and nays 16, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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| Anderson | Frederickson | Lourey | Prettner Solon | Sparks |
| Bakk | Gerlach | Lynch | Rest | Stumpf |
| Berglin | Gimse | Marty | Robling | Tomassoni |
| Bonoff | Hann | Michel | Rosen | Torres Ray |
| Carlson | Ingebrigtsen | Neuville | Saltzman | Vandeveer |
| Chaudhary | Johnson | Olseen | Saxhaug | Wergin |
| Day | Koch | Olson, G. | Senjem | |
| Doll | Koering | Olson, M. | Sieben | |
| Erickson Ropes | Kubly | Ortman | Skoe | |
| Fischbach | Limmer | Pariseau | Skogen | |

Those who voted in the negative were:

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| Betzold | Larson | Murphy | Scheid |
| Clark | Latz | Pappas | Sheran |
| Cohen | Metzen | Pogemiller | Vickerman |
| Higgins | Moua | Rummel | Wiger |

The motion prevailed. So the first portion of the amendment was adopted.

Senator Ortman withdrew the remainder of her amendment.

On motion of Senator Pogemiller, 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.

Senators Jungbauer, Marty, Lourey and Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1196: A bill for an act relating to manufactured homes; requiring relocation compensation for displaced residents; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 327C.095, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Pappas, Berglin and Torres Ray introduced—

S.F. No. 1197: A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring coverage for doula services; requiring medical assistance to cover doula services; establishing a doula registry; ensuring in the patient bill of rights the presence of a doula if requested by a patient; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 144.651, subdivisions 9, 10; 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 146B.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Kubly, Sparks and Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1198: A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; providing a subtraction for volunteer ambulance personnel longevity awards; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.01, subdivision 19b, as amended; 290.091, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Wiger, Rummel and Bonoff introduced—

S.F. No. 1199: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for licensed student services personnel aid; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Prettner Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1200: A bill for an act relating to energy; requiring monthly reports from utilities to the Public Utilities Commission regarding residential accounts; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications.

Senators Doll, Skoe and Saltzman introduced—

S.F. No. 1201: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; increasing single vehicle length limit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.81, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Jungbauer, Erickson Ropes and Doll introduced–

S.F. No. 1202: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; requiring driver's license endorsement to operate three-wheeled motorcycle; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.974, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Rosen, Sheran, Vickerman and Frederickson introduced–

S.F. No. 1203: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a museum in the city of Winnebago; authorizing the issuance and sale of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Rosen, Sheran, Vickerman and Frederickson introduced–

S.F. No. 1204: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; exempting sales of stoves that burn biomass fuels; extending sales tax exemption related to construction of a biomass fueled electric generation facility; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.67, by adding a subdivision; Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 4, section 19, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Sheran, Rosen, Vickerman, Senjem and Tomassoni introduced–

S.F. No. 1205: A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing funding for rural renewable energy initiatives; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senators Dibble, Marty, Ortman, Sieben and Senjem introduced–

S.F. No. 1206: A bill for an act relating to sales tax; eliminating the sales tax on local government purchases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.70, subdivisions 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Ortman, Dibble, Skoe, Rest and Murphy introduced–

S.F. No. 1207: A bill for an act relating to motor carriers; amending requirements for movers of household goods, including changes from use of permits to registration; removing language governing obsolete permits; making conforming and clarifying changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 168.013, subdivision 1e; 169.781, subdivision 10; 174.64, subdivisions 2, 4; 174.66; 221.011, subdivision 8, by adding a subdivision; 221.025; 221.0252, subdivision 6; 221.026; 221.031, subdivision 1; 221.036, subdivisions 1, 3; 221.131; 221.132; 221.141, subdivision 4; 221.172, subdivision 3; 221.185; 221.221, subdivision 3; 221.291, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 221; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 174.65; 221.011, subdivisions 24, 25, 28, 29, 38, 41, 44, 45; 221.0252, subdivisions 3, 7; 221.072; 221.111; 221.121, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6a, 6c, 6d, 6e, 6f, 7; 221.122; 221.123;

221.131, subdivisions 2a, 3, 4; 221.141, subdivision 6; 221.151; 221.152; 221.153, subdivisions 1, 2; 221.161; 221.171; 221.172, subdivisions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; 221.296, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Limmer, Scheid, Foley, Bonoff and Rest introduced—

S.F. No. 1208: A bill for an act relating to education finance; setting criteria for allowable uses of health and safety revenue; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 123B.57, subdivisions 1, 2, 6, 8, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Gimse, Fischbach, Doll, Robling and Tomassoni introduced—

S.F. No. 1209: A bill for an act relating to sales and use tax; exempting construction materials for a wastewater treatment facility for the city of Willmar; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.71, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Chaudhary, Saxhaug, Stumpf, Skoe and Frederickson introduced—

S.F. No. 1210: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying purposes of the all-terrain vehicle account; modifying amount of gasoline usage attributable to all-terrain vehicle operation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 84.927, subdivision 2; 296A.18, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Skoe introduced—

S.F. No. 1211: A bill for an act relating to energy; authorizing a grant to the White Earth Band of Chippewa to study the feasibility of a renewable energy facility.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Erickson Ropes and Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1212: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying authorization of PACE programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.69, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Kubly introduced—

S.F. No. 1213: A bill for an act relating to education finance; providing border aid to Independent School District No. 891, Canby; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 126C.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Dibble; Pappas; Olson, M.; Lourey and Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1214: A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for the Legislative Commission to End Poverty in Minnesota by 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Fischbach introduced—

S.F. No. 1215: A bill for an act relating to health; making technical changes; eliminating radioactive material license renewal fee; establishing fees for ionizing radiation-producing equipment; modifying requirements for operating x-ray equipment; changing provisions in the lead abatement program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 144.1205, subdivision 1; 144.121, subdivisions 1a, 5; 144.9512, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 10; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 144.121, subdivisions 1c, 4; 144.146, subdivision 1; 144.9512, subdivisions 4, 6, 7, 8.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Pogemiller introduced—

S.F. No. 1216: A bill for an act relating to higher education; establishing a postsecondary study abroad grant program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Larson introduced—

S.F. No. 1217: A bill for an act relating to veterans; providing for assistance to certain members of the National Guard and other veterans in obtaining health screening and health services relating to depleted uranium exposure; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 192.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Erickson Ropes; Olson, M.; Vickerman; Koering and Senjem introduced—

S.F. No. 1218: A bill for an act relating to elections; changing certain procedures and requirements for absent voters; providing for certain emergency situations; requiring a study; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 203B.16, subdivision 2; 203B.17, subdivision 2; 203B.21, subdivisions 2, 3; 203B.22; 203B.24, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 203B.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Bakk introduced—

S.F. No. 1219: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for sewer reconstruction in Midway Township.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Carlson, Rummel, Stumpf and Olseen introduced—

S.F. No. 1220: A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing funding for voluntary, full-day kindergarten; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 126C.05, subdivisions 1, 15; 126C.12, subdivision 5; 126C.126.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Torres Ray, Moua, Lourey, Erickson Ropes and Neuville introduced—

S.F. No. 1221: A bill for an act relating to human services; changing child welfare provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 256.01, subdivision 2; 259.24, subdivision 3; 259.53, subdivision 1; 259.57, subdivision 1; 259.67, subdivision 7; 259.75, subdivision 8; 260.012; 260.771, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.152, subdivision 5; 260C.201, subdivision 11; 260C.212, subdivisions 1, 4; 260C.317, subdivision 3; 626.556, subdivisions 10, 10a, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260; repealing Laws 1997, chapter 8, section 1; Minnesota Rules, part 9560.0102, subpart 2, item C.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Saltzman, Lynch, Wiger, Michel and Anderson introduced—

S.F. No. 1222: A bill for an act relating to education finance; creating a onetime funding source for school district technology needs; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Torres Ray; Higgins; Stumpf; Olson, G. and Saxhaug introduced—

S.F. No. 1223: A bill for an act relating to early childhood education finance; establishing after-school community learning grant program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Vandever, Olseen, Saltzman and Sieben introduced—

S.F. No. 1224: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring restoration, reopening, and maintenance of Stillwater Boomsite rest area, and prohibiting transfer of site.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Latz, Murphy, Tomassoni, Metzen and Sieben introduced—

S.F. No. 1225: A bill for an act relating to workers' compensation; changing the appointing authorities for members of the Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 175.007, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senators Latz, Murphy, Tomassoni, Metzen and Sieben introduced—

S.F. No. 1226: A bill for an act relating to workers' compensation; modifying payment and retraining provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 176.101, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 176.102, subdivision 11; 176.645.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senators Skogen, Erickson Ropes, Senjem, Langseth and Sheran introduced—

S.F. No. 1227: A bill for an act relating to property taxes; modifying certain local government aid programs and program appropriations; indexing certain school finance equalizing factors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 123B.53, subdivision 5; 126C.01, by adding subdivisions; 126C.10, subdivision 13a; 126C.17, subdivision 6; 477A.011, subdivisions 34, 36; 477A.013, subdivisions 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 477A.03, subdivisions 2a, 2b, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Wiger and Hann introduced—

S.F. No. 1228: A bill for an act relating to education; requiring literacy skills for students; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 120B.12, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 124D.13, subdivision 2; 124D.15, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1229: A bill for an act relating to health; changing provisions for well contractor's license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 103I.525, subdivision 5; 103I.531, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Rummel, Skogen, Michel and Bonoff introduced—

S.F. No. 1230: A bill for an act relating to education finance; fully funding the state's special education revenue formulas; making the appropriation for special education aid open and standing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 125A.76, subdivisions 3, 5; 125A.79, subdivisions 5, 7; 126C.20; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 125A.76, subdivision 4; 125A.79, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Lourey, Latz, Bakk, Higgins and Betzold introduced—

S.F. No. 1231: A bill for an act relating to corrections; requiring state and local jail and prison inmates to be housed in publicly owned and operated jails and prisons; prohibiting the state and counties from contracting with private prisons; prohibiting renewal of the Prairie Correctional

Facility contract; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 241.01, subdivision 3a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 243; 641.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Saltzman, Stumpf, Bonoff, Anderson and Michel introduced—

S.F. No. 1232: A bill for an act relating to education finance; phasing in changes to Minnesota's school finance system; creating a legislative task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 125A.76, subdivisions 1, 2, 5; 126C.05, subdivision 1; 126C.10, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 125A.76, subdivisions 3, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Metzen introduced—

S.F. No. 1233: A bill for an act relating to commerce; providing an exception for pharmaceutical products to a law prohibiting sales below cost where competition exists; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 325D.04.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Neville, Gimse, Robling, Vickerman and Wergin introduced—

S.F. No. 1234: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to article XI; prohibiting the use of state funds for abortion services.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Neville, Gimse, Ingebrigtsen, Vickerman and Wergin introduced—

S.F. No. 1235: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, by adding a section to article XIII; establishing there is no constitutional right to abortion.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Michel introduced—

S.F. No. 1236: A bill for an act relating to state employees; making technical and housekeeping changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 43A.191, subdivision 3; 43A.23, subdivision 1; 43A.49; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 43A.345.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Scheid introduced—

S.F. No. 1237: A bill for an act relating to motor fuels; requiring person to be present when dispensing fuel into motor vehicle; requiring signs; imposing a penalty; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 239.751, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Rest introduced—

S.F. No. 1238: A bill for an act relating to retirement; teacher retirement plans; increasing the reemployed annuitant earnings limitation amount for part-time and substitute teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 354.44, subdivision 5; 354A.31, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Berglin, Koering, Rosen, Prettner Solon and Sheran introduced—

S.F. No. 1239: A bill for an act relating to human services; providing a hospital outpatient services rate increase for a certain hospital; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.75.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Berglin, Koering, Rosen, Prettner Solon and Sheran introduced—

S.F. No. 1240: A bill for an act relating to health; paying hospital services for actual cost of providing services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256.969, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Berglin, Koering, Rosen, Prettner Solon and Sheran introduced—

S.F. No. 1241: A bill for an act relating to health; eliminating ratable reductions from rebased rate in certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256.969, subdivision 3a.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Limmer, Ingebrigtsen, Moua, Betzold and Neuville introduced—

S.F. No. 1242: A bill for an act relating to corrections; clarifying and updating law governing MINNCOR prison industries; adjusting the date for community corrections counties to submit expenditure and cost statements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 16A.72; 16B.181, subdivision 2; 16C.23, subdivision 2; 241.27, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 241.278; 401.15, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 241.021, subdivision 5; 241.85, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Wiger introduced—

S.F. No. 1243: A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article V, sections 1, 2, 5; abolishing the office of lieutenant governor.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Anderson, Vickerman, Dille, Kubly and Frederickson introduced—

S.F. No. 1244: A bill for an act relating to energy; providing for a rural wind development assistance program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senators Torres Ray, Berglin, Olson, M.; Koering and Lourey introduced—

S.F. No. 1245: A bill for an act relating to Indian child welfare; modifying a child maltreatment reporting provision; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 626.556, subdivision 10.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Wiger introduced—

S.F. No. 1246: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for prekindergarten through grade 12 education, including general education, education excellence, special programs, facilities and technology, nutrition and accounting, libraries, early childhood education, self-sufficiency and lifelong learning, and early childhood education; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 16A.152, subdivision 2; 119A.52; 119A.535; 120A.05, by adding a subdivision; 120A.22, subdivision 7; 120B.15; 120B.30; 122A.16; 123B.143, subdivision 1; 123B.36, subdivision 1; 123B.37, subdivision 1; 123B.63, subdivision 3; 123B.79, by adding a subdivision; 124D.02, subdivision 1; 124D.095, subdivision 3; 124D.10, subdivisions 4, 23a, 24; 124D.4531, subdivisions 1, 3; 124D.531, subdivision 4; 124D.55; 124D.84, subdivision 1; 125A.11, subdivision 1; 125A.14; 125A.75, subdivisions 1, 4; 125A.76, subdivision 2; 125A.79, subdivision 8; 126C.13, subdivision 4; 126C.21, subdivision 5; 127A.441; 127A.47, subdivision 7; 127A.49, subdivision 2; 134.31, by adding a subdivision; 626.556, subdivision 11; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 119A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 124D.06; 124D.175; 124D.531, subdivision 5; 124D.62; 125A.10; 125A.75, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Wiger introduced—

S.F. No. 1247: A bill for an act relating to education finance; measuring and reporting elementary and secondary class sizes; requiring an annual report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 120B.36, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 126C.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Wiger introduced—

S.F. No. 1248: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for Gateway Trail tunnel.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Marty, Cohen, Skogen, Pogemiller and Senjem introduced–

S.F. No. 1249: A bill for an act relating to health; requiring coverage for interpreter services for health plan and medical assistance enrollees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0625, subdivision 18a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Skogen introduced–

S.F. No. 1250: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; modifying deer hunting license fees for nonresident youth; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 97A.451, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Bonoff; Michel; Olson, G.; Larson and Anderson introduced–

S.F. No. 1251: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing for the protection and restoration of water quality in lakes and bodies of water of regional significance; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 383B.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Bakk and Chaudhary introduced–

S.F. No. 1252: A bill for an act relating to state government; regulating the use of project labor agreements; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16C.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Marty, Jungbauer, Lourey and Clark introduced–

S.F. No. 1253: A bill for an act relating to housing; establishing a resident right of refusal when a manufactured home park is being sold; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 327C.095, subdivisions 6, 7, 9; 327C.096; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 327C.095, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Wergin introduced–

S.F. No. 1254: A bill for an act relating to human services; allowing contracts with nursing facilities for the provision of additional specialized services; modifying reimbursement for short-stay residents; increasing nursing facility operating payment rates; dedicating a portion of the money raised by the tobacco use health impact fee for rate increases; implementing new case mix indices and providing interim rate adjustments; rebasing nursing facility rates; providing additional nursing facility quality add-ons; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 256B.431, subdivisions 2e, 32; 256B.434, by adding a subdivision; 256B.438, by adding a subdivision; 256B.441, subdivisions 1, 46.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Sieben, Skoe, Bakk and Ortman introduced—

S.F. No. 1255: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; exempting certain apprenticeship training facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 272.02, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Chaudhary, Frederickson, Skogen, Dille and Anderson introduced—

S.F. No. 1256: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for the roadsides for wildlife program.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Skoe introduced—

S.F. No. 1257: A bill for an act relating to human services; expanding an American Indian child welfare project; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Moua, Bakk, Dibble and Senjem introduced—

S.F. No. 1258: A bill for an act relating to local government aid; amending the distribution mechanism to decrease volatility; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 477A.013, subdivision 9.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Hann, Gerlach, Koch and Jungbauer introduced—

S.F. No. 1259: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing general education access grants for students; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 126C.05, by adding a subdivision; 126C.13, subdivision 4; 126C.20; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 124D; 126C.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Hann, Kubly, Dille, Skogen and Ingebrigtsen introduced—

S.F. No. 1260: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; changing certain food license requirements; changing certain milk requirements; eliminating a requirement on sale of bulk tanks; repealing the Dairy Trade Practices Act; clarifying certain penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 28A.04, subdivision 1; 28A.06; 32.21, subdivision 4; 32.212; 32.394, subdivision 4; 32.415; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 32.213; 32.70; 32.71; 32.72; 32.74; 32.745.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Hann, Ortman, Neuville, Senjem and Tomassoni introduced—

S.F. No. 1261: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; prohibiting actions against certain persons for weight gain as a result of consuming certain foods; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 604.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Higgins; Sieben; Torres Ray; Olson, M. and Sparks introduced—

S.F. No. 1262: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating the manufacture and sale of jewelry products containing lead; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Gimse, Skogen, Kubly and Dille introduced—

S.F. No. 1263: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; authorizing the commissioner of agriculture to serve as a consultant to the Board of Animal Health; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 35.02, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Dille, Bonoff, Pappas, Clark and Robling introduced—

S.F. No. 1264: A bill for an act relating to higher education; requiring information and skills training in personal financial management; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senators Sheran, Rosen, Frederickson and Murphy introduced—

S.F. No. 1265: A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating funds for construction of an interchange at Trunk Highway 14 and Nicollet County State-Aid Highway 41.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Pappas, Marty, Berglin, Torres Ray and Erickson Ropes introduced—

S.F. No. 1266: A bill for an act relating to health; requiring hospital emergency rooms to provide emergency contraception, prophylactic antibiotics, and information to sexual assault victims; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Olson, M.; Latz; Sieben; Lourey and Tomassoni introduced—

S.F. No. 1267: A bill for an act relating to health; providing public access to quality medical

imaging procedures and radiation therapy procedures; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1268: A bill for an act relating to prescription drugs; requiring pharmacists to obtain consent to dispense certain epilepsy drugs; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 151.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Marty and Frederickson introduced—

S.F. No. 1269: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; eliminating managed forests for purposes of off-road vehicle travel; modifying forest classification requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 84.926, subdivisions 2, 4; Laws 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section 167, subdivision 1, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Marty and Frederickson introduced—

S.F. No. 1270: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing for state forest traditional areas; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 89.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Neuville introduced—

S.F. No. 1271: A bill for an act relating to family law; making child support policy clarifications and improvements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 256.017, subdivisions 1, 6; 518.68, subdivision 2; 518A.28; 518A.32, subdivisions 1, 3, 5, 6; 518A.39, subdivision 2; 518A.40, subdivisions 1, 4; 518A.41, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 15, 16; 518A.42, subdivision 1; 518A.46, subdivision 5; 518A.75, subdivision 3; 541.04; 548.09, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 548.091, subdivision 1a; 550.01; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 548.091, subdivision 3b.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Anderson, Tomassoni, Cohen, Dibble and Pariseau introduced—

S.F. No. 1272: A bill for an act relating to appropriations; appropriating money for a grant to WomenVenture.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Scheid; Wiger; Olson, G.; Clark and Torres Ray introduced—

S.F. No. 1273: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for site decision-making program grants.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Pariseau, Saxhaug, Skogen, Rosen and Gimse introduced—

S.F. No. 1274: A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to reauthorize the Conservation Reserve Program as part of the 2007 Farm Bill.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Carlson, Murphy, Doll, Olseen and Day introduced—

S.F. No. 1275: A bill for an act relating to transportation; prohibiting certain highway rest area operators from preventing commercial motor vehicle operators from observing federal "Hours of Service of Drivers" regulations; modifying certain provisions relating to maximum vehicle weight on highways; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.824, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 160.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Wiger introduced—

S.F. No. 1276: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for transportation and transit improvements in Highway 36 Corridor in Ramsey and Washington Counties; authorizing sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Dibble introduced—

S.F. No. 1277: A bill for an act relating to economic development; requiring a study of higher education training needs in the renewable energy economy; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senators Metzen, Sieben, Sparks and Tomassoni introduced—

S.F. No. 1278: A bill for an act relating to state government; defining best value; changing provisions for acquisition and competitive bidding; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 16C.02, by adding subdivisions; 16C.03, subdivisions 3, 4, 16, by adding a subdivision; 16C.26, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5; 16C.27, subdivision 1; 16C.28, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 103D.811, subdivision 3; 103E.505, subdivision 5; 116A.13, subdivision 5; 123B.52, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 160.17, by adding a subdivision; 160.262, by adding a subdivision; 161.32, by adding a subdivision; 161.3412, subdivision 1; 161.38, subdivision 4; 365.37, by adding a subdivision; 374.13; 375.21, by adding a subdivision; 383C.094, by adding a subdivision; 412.311; 429.041, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 458D.21, by adding a subdivision; 469.015, by adding a subdivision; 469.068,

subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 471.345, subdivision 5, by adding subdivisions; 473.523, by adding a subdivision; 473.756, subdivision 12.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1279: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing a fund transfer for Independent School District No. 181, Brainerd.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Anderson and Frederickson introduced—

S.F. No. 1280: A bill for an act relating to energy; providing funding for low-income heating assistance; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Senjem and Lynch introduced—

S.F. No. 1281: A bill for an act relating to sales and use tax; exempting construction materials used in a biobusiness center; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.71, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Anderson, Frederickson, Torres Ray, Rummel and Saxhaug introduced—

S.F. No. 1282: A bill for an act relating to energy; creating renewable hydrogen initiative; modifying policies to foster use of hydrogen energy; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 216B.812, subdivisions 1, 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications.

Senator Lourey introduced—

S.F. No. 1283: A bill for an act relating to human services; allowing rate increase for nursing facility in Kanabec County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144A.071, subdivision 4c.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senator Lourey introduced—

S.F. No. 1284: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; exempting construction materials and equipment used to construct the Pine County Judicial Center; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 297A.71, by adding a subdivision; 297A.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Wergin introduced—

S.F. No. 1285: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; changing certain agricultural chemical incident provisions; eliminating a fee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 18E.02, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 18C.425, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Lynch and Rosen introduced—

S.F. No. 1286: A bill for an act relating to human services; allowing coverage of incidental nursing services under the elderly waiver; providing rate exceptions; increasing elderly waiver reimbursement rate limits; requiring a study and report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0915, subdivision 3e, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Housing and Family Security.

Senators Kubly, Neuville, Berglin and Rest introduced—

S.F. No. 1287: A bill for an act relating to gambling; appropriating money for compulsive gambling.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Dibble, Doll, Larson, Carlson and Murphy introduced—

S.F. No. 1288: A bill for an act relating to the Metropolitan Airports Commission; requiring the commission to meet in a neighborhood affected by airport noise; requiring advance notice of proposed annual budget; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 473.604, subdivision 5; 473.661, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Kubly and Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1289: A bill for an act relating to veterinary medicine; defining certain terms; changing certain requirements for provision of animal husbandry; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 156.001, by adding subdivisions; 156.12, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 156.075.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senator Koering introduced—

S.F. No. 1290: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; modifying the senior citizen's property tax deferral program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290B.03, subdivision 1; 290B.04, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 290B.05, subdivision 1; 290B.07.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Olseen, Skogen and Kubly introduced–

S.F. No. 1291: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 14; proposing modification of constitutional environment and natural resources trust fund provisions; providing for expenditures from the clean water legacy account and environment and natural resources trust fund; modifying disposition of state lottery in lieu tax; modifying disposition of unclaimed lottery prizes; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 114D.45, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 116P.08, subdivision 1; 297A.94; 349A.08, subdivision 5; 349A.10, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 85.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Pappas introduced–

S.F. No. 1292: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan parks; clarifying the distribution of state lottery gross proceeds in lieu of sales tax for metropolitan parks and open space; modifying the compensation for members of the parks and open space commission; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 297A.94; 473.303, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Prettner Solon introduced–

S.F. No. 1293: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; recognizing the threat to waterfowl from ingesting lead tackle; phasing in a ban on the sale and use of lead sinkers, jigs, and lures; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97C.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Olseen, Clark, Sparks, Anderson and Rosen introduced–

S.F. No. 1294: A bill for an act relating to utilities; authorizing electronic filing with Public Utilities Commission; making technical and clarifying changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 216.15; 216.17; 216.18; 216B.18; 216B.26; 216B.33; 216B.62, subdivisions 3, 4, 6; 216B.63; 216E.07; 237.295.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications.

Senators Wergin and Clark introduced–

S.F. No. 1295: A bill for an act relating to local sales taxes; allowing certain cities to impose a local sales tax if certain criteria are met; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.99, subdivisions 1, 3, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Moua, Jungbauer, Bonoff, Dibble and Murphy introduced–

S.F. No. 1296: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring the commissioner of

transportation to utilize available federal funds in highway construction training programs; requiring reports on training programs and disadvantaged business enterprise program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 174.03, by adding subdivisions.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Larson introduced—

S.F. No. 1297: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for automatic voter registration of applicants for a driver's license, instruction permit, or identification card; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 201.12; 201.13, subdivision 3; 201.161.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Higgins, Scheid and Larson introduced—

S.F. No. 1298: A bill for an act relating to elections; changing certain definitions, voter registration procedures and requirements, filing requirements, voting procedures, election day prohibitions, and ballot preparation requirements; establishing a complaint and resolution process; requiring certain notices; providing for assessment of certain costs; changing a petition requirement; imposing penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 200.02, subdivisions 7, 23; 201.056; 201.061, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 201.071, subdivision 1; 201.091, by adding a subdivision; 201.121, by adding a subdivision; 201.171; 204B.06, subdivision 1; 204B.09, subdivision 1; 204B.11, subdivision 2; 204B.27, by adding a subdivision; 204B.45, subdivision 1; 204C.06, subdivision 8; 204D.09, subdivision 2; 204D.16; 205.16, subdivisions 2, 3; 205A.07, subdivision 2; 206.89, subdivision 1; 211A.05; 211B.37; 325L.03; 410.12, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 204B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 200.04; 201.061, subdivision 7.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Dille introduced—

S.F. No. 1299: A bill for an act relating to retirement; general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association; clarifying the effective date of a privatization by Hutchinson Area Health Care; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 353F.04, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Higgins introduced—

S.F. No. 1300: A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing a pilot project to provide services to ex-criminal offenders now in the community; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1301: A bill for an act relating to higher education; clarifying state funding policy for

public postsecondary education; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 135A.01; 135A.031, subdivisions 1, 7; 135A.034, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 135A.031, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6; 135A.032; 135A.033; 135A.045; 135A.053; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 1, article 1, sections 3, subdivision 3; 4, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senator Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1302: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; modifying provisions governing metropolitan livable communities fund; authorizing a transfer of funds between metropolitan livable communities fund accounts; authorizing a onetime transfer from the livable communities demonstration account for local planning assistance grants and loans; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 473.253, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Rosen, Koch and Tomassoni introduced—

S.F. No. 1303: A bill for an act relating to economic development; establishing nanotechnology development fund program; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senator Dille introduced—

S.F. No. 1304: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money to conduct a study and develop a plan for establishment of a Greenleaf, Cedar, and Sioux Lakes Area Conservation District in McLeod and Meeker Counties.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Larson, Dibble, Jungbauer, Senjem and Murphy introduced—

S.F. No. 1305: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring referendum to impose a 0.50 percent metropolitan area sales tax for transportation and transit in the metropolitan area; authorizing imposition of county sales taxes for transportation purposes; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 161.04, by adding a subdivision; 297A.94; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Pogemiller introduced—

S.F. No. 1306: A bill for an act relating to education; developing world language proficiency, resources, and capacity; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 120B.021, subdivision 1; 120B.022, subdivision 1; 120B.023, subdivision 2; 120B.024; 122A.18, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Olson, M.; Lutz; Berglin and Higgins introduced—

S.F. No. 1307: A bill for an act relating to crime victims; authorizing grants; appropriating money to the commissioner of public safety for crime victims service programs and crime prevention.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Larson introduced—

S.F. No. 1308: A bill for an act relating to state government finance; appropriating money for the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Olson, M.; Sparks; Skogen and Limmer introduced—

S.F. No. 1309: A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating auto insurance; modifying benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 65B.44, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; 65B.47, subdivision 7; 65B.54, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Lourey introduced—

S.F. No. 1310: A bill for an act relating to elections; clarifying certain procedures and terminology; changing or eliminating certain requirements; changing certain duties; imposing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 103C.305, subdivision 3; 201.016, subdivision 1a; 201.054, subdivision 1; 201.056; 201.061, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 201.071, subdivisions 3, 4; 201.081; 201.091, subdivisions 1, 8; 201.27, subdivision 1; 203B.04, subdivisions 1, 4, 6; 203B.05, subdivision 2; 203B.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 203B.08, subdivision 3; 203B.081; 203B.10; 203B.12, subdivision 4; 203B.13, subdivisions 1, 2; 203B.21, subdivision 3; 204B.06, subdivision 8; 204B.08, subdivision 3; 204B.09, subdivisions 1, 3; 204B.16, subdivision 1; 204B.45, subdivision 2; 205.10, by adding a subdivision; 205.13, by adding a subdivision; 205.16, subdivision 4; 205A.05, by adding a subdivision; 205A.06, by adding a subdivision; 205A.07, subdivisions 3, 3a; 205A.10, subdivision 1; 205A.11, subdivision 2; 206.82, subdivision 2; 211A.02, subdivision 2; 211A.05, subdivisions 1, 2; 211B.11, subdivision 1; 211B.37; 447.32, subdivision 4; Laws 2004, chapter 293, article 1, section 37, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 201.061, subdivision 7; 201.096; 203B.02, subdivision 1a; 203B.13, subdivision 3a; 204D.10, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senators Lourey and Gerlach introduced—

S.F. No. 1311: A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing cities to operate preventive health services programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 15.46.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight.

Senator Chaudhary introduced–

S.F. No. 1312: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying rulemaking authority; modifying authority to designate infested waters; modifying water supply plan requirements; modifying state park permit provisions; extending expiration of the Mineral Coordinating Committee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 84.027, by adding a subdivision; 84D.03, subdivision 1; 84D.12, subdivisions 1, 3; 85.053, subdivisions 1, 2, 8; 93.0015, subdivision 3; 103G.291, subdivision 3; 473.1565, subdivision 1; 473.859, subdivision 3; repealing Laws 2006, chapter 236, article 1, section 2.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Jungbauer introduced–

S.F. No. 1313: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating mortgage originators and services; establishing continuing education requirements; creating a residential mortgage originators and servicers recovery fund; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 58.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Wiger, Pappas, Michel and Robling introduced–

S.F. No. 1314: A bill for an act relating to higher education; creating a textbook pricing and access act; establishing a pilot textbook rental program; requiring a report; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senators Latz and Saltzman introduced–

S.F. No. 1315: A bill for an act relating to human rights; clarifying the definition of disability; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 363A.03, subdivision 12.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Skogen and Saxhaug introduced–

S.F. No. 1316: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing for application of sales tax to sales of prefabricated homes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.62, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Dibble, Dille, Foley, Jungbauer and Langseth were excused from the Session of today. Senator Bakk was excused from the Session of today from 11:00 to 11:15 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Pogemiller moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 28, 2007. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate

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