SEVENTIETH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, March 4, 2010

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, Laurie Svatek.

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

Koch

Koering

Langseth

Limmer

Lourey

Lynch

Marty

Michel

Moua

Murphy

Olseen

Kubly

Latz

Anderson Bakk Berglin Betzold Bonoff Carlson Chaudhary Clark Cohen Dahle Dibble Dille Doll

Erickson Ropes Fischbach Frederickson Gerlach Higgins Ingebrigtsen Johnson Jungbauer Kelash

Olson, G. Olson, M. Ortman Pappas Pariseau Pogemiller Prettner Solon Rest Robling Rosen Rummel Saltzman Scheid

Senjem Sheran Sieben Skoe Skogen Sparks Stumpf Tomassoni Torres Ray Vandeveer Vickerman Wiger

The President declared a quorum present.

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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.

January 19, 2010

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:

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MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Michael Ranum, 203 E. Golden Lake Cir., Circle Pines, in the county of Anoka, effective January 25, 2010, for a term that expires on January 6, 2014.

Janet Withoff, 870 Willow View Dr., Orono, in the county of Hennepin, effective January 25, 2010, for a term that expires on January 6, 2014.

(Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.)

Sincerely, Tim Pawlenty, Governor

March 1, 2010

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable James P. Metzen President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Act of the 2010 Session of the State Legislature has been received from the Office of the Governor and is deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

S.F.	Time and				
	H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed	
No.	No.	Chapter No.	2010	2010	
	927	183	1:24 p.m. March 1	March 1	

Sincerely, Mark Ritchie Secretary of State

March 3, 2010

The Honorable James P. Metzen President of the Senate

Dear President Metzen:

Please be advised that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, S.F. No. 2251.

Sincerely, Tim Pawlenty, Governor

March 3, 2010

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher Speaker of the House of Representatives 70TH DAY]

The Honorable James P. Metzen President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Act of the 2010 Session of the State Legislature has been received from the Office of the Governor and is deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

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Sincerely, Mark Ritchie Secretary of State

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. 2352: A bill for an act relating to taxation; accelerating the income tax charitable deduction for relief of Haitian earthquake victims; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivisions 19, 19b.

Senate File No. 2352 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Albin A. Mathiowetz, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned March 1, 2010

CONCURRENCE AND REPASSAGE

Senator Bakk moved that the Senate concur in the amendments by the House to S.F. No. 2352 and that the bill be placed on its repassage as amended. The motion prevailed.

S.F. No. 2352 was read the third time, as amended by the House, and placed on its repassage.

The question was taken on the repassage of the bill, as amended.

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson Bakk Berglin Betzold Bonoff

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Carlson	Gimse	Latz	Ortman
Chaudhary	Hann	Limmer	Pappas
Clark	Higgins	Lourey	Pariseau
Dahle	Ingebrigtsen	Lynch	Pogemiller
Dibble	Johnson	Marty	Prettner Solon
Dille	Jungbauer	Michel	Rest
Doll	Kelash	Moua	Robling
Fischbach	Koch	Murphy	Rosen
Fobbe	Koering	Olseen	Rummel
Frederickson	Kubly	Olson, G.	Saltzman
Gerlach	Langseth	Olson, M.	Scheid

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So the bill, as amended, was repassed and its title was agreed to.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Pogemiller moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Prettner Solon from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2720: A bill for an act relating to energy; authorizing green energy revenue bonds; permitting local assessments for energy improvements by cities and counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 429.011, by adding subdivisions; 429.021, subdivision 1; 429.031, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 429.011, subdivision 2a; 469.153, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 469.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. [216C.435] DEFINITIONS; ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS FINANCING PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS PROPERTY.

Subdivision 1. Scope. For the purposes of this section and section 216C.436, the terms defined in this section have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. City. "City" means a home rule charter or statutory city.

Subd. 3. Energy audit. "Energy audit" means a formal evaluation of the energy consumption of a building by a certified energy auditor, whose certification is approved by the commissioner, for the purpose of identifying appropriate energy improvements that could be made to the building and including an estimate of the length of time a specific energy improvement will take to repay its purchase and installation costs, based on the amount of energy saved and estimated future energy prices.

Subd. 4. Energy improvement. "Energy improvement" means:

(1) any renovation or retrofitting of a building to improve energy efficiency that is permanently affixed to the property and that results in a net reduction in energy consumption without altering the principal source of energy; or

(2) a renewable energy system attached to or installed within or proximate to a building that generates electrical or thermal energy from a renewable energy source.

Subd. 5. Qualifying real property. "Qualifying real property" means a single-family or multifamily residential dwelling, or a commercial or industrial building, that the city has determined, after review of an energy audit or renewable energy system feasibility study, can be benefited by installation of energy improvements.

Subd. 6. **Renewable energy.** "Renewable energy" means energy produced by means of solar thermal, solar photovoltaic, wind, or geothermal resources.

Subd. 7. **Renewable energy system feasibility study.** "Renewable energy system feasibility study" means a written study, conducted by a contractor trained to perform that analysis, for the purpose of determining the feasibility of installing a renewable energy system in a building, including an estimate of the length of time a specific renewable energy system will take to repay its purchase and installation costs, based on the amount of energy saved and estimated future energy prices. For a geothermal energy improvement, the feasibility study must calculate net savings in terms of nongeothermal energy and costs.

Subd. 8. Solar thermal. "Solar thermal" has the meaning given to "qualifying solar thermal project" in section 216B.2411, subdivision 2, paragraph (e).

Subd. 9. Solar photovoltaic. "Solar photovoltaic" has the meaning given in section 216C.06, subdivision 16, and must meet the requirements of section 216C.25.

Subd. 10. Cost-effective energy efficiency improvements. "Cost-effective energy efficiency improvements" mean projects that have a simple payback of ten years or less.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. [216C.436] VOLUNTARY ENERGY EFFICIENCY FINANCING PROGRAM FOR CITIES.

Subdivision 1. **Program authority.** A city may establish a program to make loans to owners of qualifying real property to pay for cost-effective energy improvements to the qualifying real property with the net proceeds and interest earnings of revenue bonds authorized in this section.

Subd. 2. Program requirements. A loan program must:

(1) impose requirements and conditions on loans to ensure their timely repayment;

(2) require an energy audit or renewable energy system feasibility study to be conducted on the qualifying real property and reviewed by the city prior to approval of the loan;

(3) inspect the installation and verify the performance of energy improvements financed by the loan program;

(4) require that all cost-effective energy efficiency improvements be made to a qualifying real property prior to, or in conjunction with, an applicant receiving a loan for a renewable energy system for that property;

(5) have work funded by a loan be done by licensed contractors as required by chapter 326B or

other law or ordinance;

(6) require disclosures to borrowers by the city of the risks involved in borrowing, including the risk of foreclosure if a tax delinquency results from a default;

(7) provide loans only to those who demonstrate an ability to repay the loan;

(8) not make loans for a qualifying real property in which the owner has a negative equity or is not current on mortgage or real property tax payments;

(9) provide that payments and assessments are not accelerated due to a default and that a tax delinquency exists only for assessments not paid when due; and

(10) that liability for special assessments related to the loan runs with the qualifying real property.

Subd. 3. Loans terms. Loans made under this section must have:

(1) a term not to exceed the weighted average of the useful life of the energy improvements installed, as determined by the city, but in no event may a term exceed 20 years;

(2) a principal amount not to exceed the lesser of ten percent of the appraised value of the real property on which the improvements are to be installed or the actual cost of installing the energy improvements, including the costs of necessary equipment, materials, and labor, the costs of each related energy audit or renewable energy system feasibility study, and the cost of verification of installation; and

(3) an interest rate sufficient to pay the financing costs of the program, including the issuance of bonds and loan delinquencies.

Subd. 4. Coordination with other programs. A loan program must include cooperation and coordination with the conservation improvement activities of the utility serving the qualifying real property and other public and private energy improvement programs.

Subd. 5. Certificate of participation. Upon completion of a project, a city shall provide a borrower with a certificate stating participation in the program and what energy improvements have been made with loan proceeds.

Subd. 6. Loan repayment. In addition to any other method established in the program for loan repayment, a city making a loan under this section may:

(1) secure the loan with a lien against the benefited qualifying real property; and

(2) collect loan repayments as a special assessment as provided for in section 429.101 or by charter.

Subd. 7. Bond issuance; repayment. (a) A city may issue revenue bonds as provided in chapter 475 for the purposes of this section.

(b) The bonds must be payable as to both principal and interest solely from the revenues from the assessments established in subdivision 6.

(c) No holder of bonds issued under this subdivision may compel any exercise of the taxing power of the city that issued the bonds to pay principal or interest on the bonds. Bonds issued under

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 429.101, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Ordinances.** (a) In addition to any other method authorized by law or charter, the governing body of any municipality may provide for the collection of unpaid special charges as a special assessment against the property benefited for all or any part of the cost of:

(1) snow, ice, or rubbish removal from sidewalks;

(2) weed elimination from streets or private property;

(3) removal or elimination of public health or safety hazards from private property, excluding any structure included under the provisions of sections 463.15 to 463.26;

(4) installation or repair of water service lines, street sprinkling or other dust treatment of streets;

(5) the trimming and care of trees and the removal of unsound trees from any street;

(6) the treatment and removal of insect infested or diseased trees on private property, the repair of sidewalks and alleys;

(7) the operation of a street lighting system;

(8) the operation and maintenance of a fire protection or a pedestrian skyway system;

(9) inspections relating to a municipal housing maintenance code violation;

(10) the recovery of any disbursements under section 504B.445, subdivision 4, clause (5), including disbursements for payment of utility bills and other services, even if provided by a third party, necessary to remedy violations as described in section 504B.445, subdivision 4, clause (2); or

(11) [Repealed, 2004 c 275 s 5]

(12) the recovery of delinquent vacant building registration fees under a municipal program designed to identify and register vacant buildings.; or

(13) energy improvements to residential or business property, as authorized under section 216C.435.

(b) The council may by ordinance adopt regulations consistent with this section to make this authority effective, including, at the option of the council, provisions for placing primary responsibility upon the property owner or occupant to do the work personally (except in the case of street sprinkling or other dust treatment, alley repair, tree trimming, care, and removal, or the operation of a street lighting system) upon notice before the work is undertaken, and for collection from the property owner or other person served of the charges when due before unpaid charges are made a special assessment.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to energy; authorizing green energy revenue bonds; permitting local assessments for energy improvements by cities; creating a voluntary energy efficiency financing program for cities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 429.101, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216C."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Prettner Solon from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Technology and Communications, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2589: A bill for an act relating to utilities; regulating the granting of route permits for high-voltage transmission lines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 216E.03, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 12, delete "or railway"

Page 1, line 18, delete "The"

Page 1, delete lines 19 to 23

Page 2, line 2, after "to" insert "the chairs and ranking minority members of"

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

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

S.F. No. 445: A resolution relating to Lake of the Woods.

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

S.F. No. 2780: A resolution memorializing Congress to effect change in U.S. Coast Guard law relating to fishing guides.

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

Page 1, line 15, delete "by" and insert "that" and after "Minnesota" insert "requests" and delete "should"

And when so amended the resolution do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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

was referred

S.F. No. 2541: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; exempting watercraft, off-highway vehicles, and snowmobiles that are owned by Indian tribal governments from registration or licensing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 84.788, subdivision 2; 84.798, subdivision 2; 84.820, subdivision 1; 86B.301, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 84.922, subdivision 1a.

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

Page 1, lines 14 and 22, after "days" insert ", or by an Indian tribal government to a member"

Page 2, line 5, after "state" insert ", or by an Indian tribal government to a member"

Page 3, line 13, after "days" insert ", or by an Indian tribal government to a member"

Page 3, line 29, after "state" insert ", or a license or number issued by an Indian tribal government to a member"

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. 2702: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing licensure for birthing centers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. [144.615] BIRTH CENTERS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions have the meanings given to them.

(b) "Birth center" means a facility licensed for the primary purpose of performing low-risk deliveries that is not a hospital or licensed as part of a hospital and where births are planned to occur away from the mother's usual residence following a low-risk pregnancy.

(c) "CABC" means the Commission for the Accreditation of Birth Centers.

(d) "Low-risk pregnancy" means a normal, uncomplicated prenatal course as determined by documentation of adequate prenatal care and the anticipation of a normal uncomplicated labor and birth, as defined by reasonable and generally accepted criteria adopted by professional groups for maternal, fetal, and neonatal health care.

Subd. 2. License required. (a) Beginning January 1, 2011, no birth center shall be established, operated, or maintained in the state without first obtaining a license from the commissioner of health according to this section.

(b) A license issued under this section is not transferable or assignable and is subject to suspension or revocation at any time for failure to comply with this section.

(c) A birth center licensed under this section shall not assert, represent, offer, provide, or imply that the center is or may render care or services other than the services it is permitted to render within the scope of the license or the accreditation issued.

(d) The license must be conspicuously posted in an area where patients are admitted.

Subd. 3. **Temporary license.** For new birth centers planning to begin operations after January 1, 2011, the commissioner may issue a temporary license to the birth center that is valid for a period of six months from the date of issuance. The birth center must submit to the commissioner an application and applicable fee for licensure as required under subdivision 4. The application must include the information required in subdivision 4, clauses (1) to (3) and (5) to (7), and documentation that the birth center has submitted an application for accreditation to the CABC. Upon receipt of accreditation from the CABC, the birth center must submit to the commissioner the information required in subdivision 4, clause (4), and the applicable fee under subdivision 8. The commissioner shall issue a new license.

Subd. 4. Application. An application for a licensure to operate a birth center and the applicable fee under subdivision 8 must be submitted to the commissioner on a form provided by the commissioner and must contain:

(1) the name of the applicant;

(2) the site location of the birth center;

(3) the name of the person in charge of the center;

(4) documentation that the accreditation described under subdivision 6 has been issued, including the effective date and the expiration date of the accreditation, and the date of the last site visit by the CABC;

(5) the number of patients the birth center is capable of serving at a given time;

(6) the names and license numbers, if applicable, of the health care professionals on staff at the birth center; and

(7) any other information the commissioner deems necessary.

Subd. 5. Suspension, revocation, and refusal to renew. The commissioner may refuse to grant or renew, or may suspend or revoke, a license on any of the grounds described under section 144.55, subdivision 6, paragraph (a), clause (2), (3), or (4), or upon the loss of accreditation by the CABC. The applicant or licensee is entitled to notice and a hearing as described under section 144.55, subdivision 7, and a new license may be issued after proper inspection of the birth center has been conducted.

Subd. 6. Standards for licensure. (a) To be eligible for licensure under this section, a birth center must be accredited by the CABC or must obtain accreditation within six months of the date of the application for licensure. If the birth center loses its accreditation, the birth center must immediately notify the commissioner.

(b) The center must have procedures in place specifying criteria by which risk status will be established and applied to each woman at admission and during labor.

(c) The birth center shall provide the commissioner of health, upon request, with any material submitted by the birth center to the CABC as part of the accreditation process, including the accreditation application, the self-evaluation report, the accreditation decision letter from the CABC, and any reports from the CABC following a site visit.

Subd. 7. Limitations of services. (a) The following limitations apply to the services performed at a birth center:

(1) surgical procedures must be limited to those normally accomplished during an uncomplicated birth, including episiotomy and repair;

(2) no abortions may be administered; and

(3) no general or regional anesthesia may be administered.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), local anesthesia may be administered at a birth center if the administration of the anesthetic is performed within the scope of practice of a health care professional.

Subd. 8. Fees. (a) The biennial license fee for a birth center is \$......

(b) The temporary license fee is \$.....

(c) Fees shall be collected and deposited according to section 144.122.

Subd. 9. Renewal. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a license issued under this section expires two years from the date of issue.

(b) A temporary license issued under subdivision 3 expires six months from the date of issue, and may be renewed for one additional six-month period.

(c) An application for renewal shall be submitted at least 60 days prior to expiration of the license on forms prescribed by the commissioner of health.

Subd. 10. **Records.** All health records maintained on each client by a birth center are subject to sections 144.292 to 144.298.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 144.651, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, "patient" means a person who is admitted to an acute care inpatient facility for a continuous period longer than 24 hours, for the purpose of diagnosis or treatment bearing on the physical or mental health of that person. For purposes of subdivisions 4 to 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, and 18 to 20, "patient" also means a person who receives health care services at an outpatient surgical center or at a birth center licensed under section 144.615. "Patient" also means a minor who is admitted to a residential program as defined in section 253C.01. For purposes of subdivisions 1, 3 to 16, 18, 20 and 30, "patient" also means any person who is receiving mental health treatment on an outpatient basis or in a community support program or other community-based program. "Resident" means a person who is admitted to a nonacute care facility including extended care facilities, nursing homes, and boarding care homes for care required because

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of prolonged mental or physical illness or disability, recovery from injury or disease, or advancing age. For purposes of all subdivisions except subdivisions 28 and 29, "resident" also means a person who is admitted to a facility licensed as a board and lodging facility under Minnesota Rules, parts 4625.0100 to 4625.2355, or a supervised living facility under Minnesota Rules, parts 4665.0100 to 4665.9900, and which operates a rehabilitation program licensed under Minnesota Rules, parts 9530.4100 to 9530.4450.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 144A.51, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Health facility.** "Health facility" means a facility or that part of a facility which is required to be licensed pursuant to sections 144.50 to 144.58, <u>144.615</u>, and a facility or that part of a facility which is required to be licensed under any law of this state which provides for the licensure of nursing homes.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 54. Services provided in birth centers. Medical assistance covers services provided by a birth center licensed under section 144.615 if the service would otherwise be covered if provided in a hospital. The commissioner shall apply for any necessary waivers from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to allow birth centers and birth center providers to be reimbursed."

Delete the title and insert:

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"A bill for an act relating to health; establishing licensure for birth centers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 144.651, subdivision 2; 144A.51, subdivision 5; 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144."

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. 2690: A bill for an act relating to children; modifying driver's license requirements for foster children; requiring in-court reviews; expanding the definition of parent for child protection proceedings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 171.04, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 171.05, subdivision 2; 171.055, subdivision 1; 245C.33, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; 260C.163, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.193, subdivision 6; 260C.317, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 260C.007, subdivision 25; 260C.150, subdivision 3; 260C.151, subdivision 1; 260C.178, subdivision 3; 260C.201, subdivision 11; 260C.212, subdivision 7; 260C.331, subdivision 1; 260C.456.

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

Page 3, delete section 2

Page 4, delete lines 26 to 29

Page 5, delete lines 31 to 34

Page 6, delete section 3

Page 7, delete section 4

Page 10, after line 4, and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260C.007, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Child.** "Child" means an individual under 18 years of age. For purposes of this chapter, "child" also includes individuals under age 21 who are in foster care pursuant to section 260C.451."

Page 11, after line 17, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260C.193, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Jurisdiction to review foster care to age 21, termination of jurisdiction, jurisdiction to age 18. (a) Jurisdiction over a child in foster care pursuant to section 260C.451 may continue to age 21 for the purpose of conducting the reviews required under section 260C.201, subdivision 11, paragraph (d), 260C.212, subdivision 7, or 260C.317, subdivision 3. Jurisdiction over a child in foster care pursuant to section 260C.451 shall not be terminated without giving the child notice of any motion or proposed order to dismiss jurisdiction and an opportunity to be heard on the appropriateness of the dismissal. When a child in foster care pursuant to section 260C.451 asks to leave foster care or actually leaves foster care, the court may terminate its jurisdiction.

(b) Except when a court order is necessary for a child to be in foster care or when continued review under (1) section 260C.212, subdivision 7, paragraph (d), or 260C.201, subdivision 11, paragraph (d); and (2) section 260C.317, subdivision 3, is required for a child in foster care under section 260C.451, the court may dismiss the petition or otherwise terminate its jurisdiction on its own motion or on the motion or petition of any interested party at any time upon a determination that jurisdiction is no longer necessary to protect the child's best interests.

(c) Unless terminated by the court, and except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the jurisdiction of the court shall continue until the individual child becomes 19 18 years of age if the court determines it is in the best interest of the individual to do so.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260C.201, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Court review of foster care.** (a) If the court orders a child placed in foster care, the court shall review the out-of-home placement at least every 90 days as required in juvenile court rules to determine whether continued out-of-home placement is necessary and appropriate or whether the child should be returned home. This review is not required if the court has returned the child home, ordered the child permanently placed away from the parent under subdivision 11, or terminated rights under section 260C.301. Court review for a child permanently placed away from a parent, including where the child is under guardianship and legal custody of the commissioner, shall be governed by subdivision 11 or section 260C.317, subdivision 3, whichever is applicable.

(b) No later than six months after the child's placement in foster care, the court shall review agency efforts pursuant to section 260C.212, subdivision 2, and order that the efforts continue if the agency has failed to perform the duties under that section.

(c) The court shall review the out-of-home placement plan and may modify the plan as provided under subdivisions 6 and 7.

(d) When the court orders transfer of custody to a responsible social services agency resulting in

foster care or protective supervision with a noncustodial parent under subdivision 1, the court shall notify the parents of the provisions of subdivisions 11 and 11a as required under juvenile court rules.

(e) When a child remains in foster care pursuant to section 260C.451 and the court has jurisdiction pursuant to section 260C.193, subdivision 6, paragraph (c), the court shall annually conduct the review required under subdivision 11, paragraph (d), or sections 260C.212, subdivision 7, and 260C.317, subdivision 3."

Page 21, line 28, before the period, insert ", or, for children in foster care age 18 or older under section 260C.451, until the individual becomes 21 years of age according to the provisions in sections 260C.193, subdivision 6, and 260C.451"

Page 21, after line 28, insert:

"Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260C.451, is amended to read:

260C.451 AGE LIMIT FOR BENEFITS TO CHILDREN FOSTER CARE BENEFITS TO AGE 21.

Subdivision 1. Notification of benefits. For purposes of any program for foster children or children under state guardianship for which benefits are made available on June 1, 1973, unless specifically provided therein, the age of majority shall be 21 years of age. Within the six months prior to the child's 18th birthday, the local agency shall advise any child in foster care under this chapter, the child's parents or legal guardian, if any, and the child's foster parents of the availability of benefits of the foster care program up to age 21.

Subd. 2. Independent living plan. Upon the request of any child receiving foster care benefits immediately prior to the child's 18th birthday and who is in foster care at the time of the request, the local agency shall, in conjunction with the child and other appropriate parties, update the independent living plan required under section 260C.212, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), clause (11), related to the child's employment, vocational, educational, social, or maturational needs. The agency shall provide continued services and foster care for the child including those services that are necessary to implement the independent living plan.

Subd. 3. Eligibility. A child already in foster care may continue in foster care past age 18. The child must meet at least one of the following conditions to be considered eligible to continue in foster care to age 21. The child must be:

(1) completing secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential;

(2) enrolled in an institution which provides postsecondary or vocational education;

(3) participating in a program or activity designed to promote or remove barriers to employment;

(4) employed for at least 80 hours per month; or

(5) incapable of doing any of the activities described in clauses (1) to (4) due to a medical condition.

Subd. 4. Foster care benefits. For children between the ages of 18 and 21, "foster care benefits" means payment for those foster care settings defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 18. Additionally, foster care benefits means payment for a supervised setting in which a child may

live independently.

Subd. 5. **Permanent decision.** The particular foster care setting, including supervised settings, shall be selected based on the best interest of the child consistent with section 260C.212, subdivision 2. Supervision in approved settings must be determined by an individual determination of the child's needs by the responsible social services agency and consistent with section 260C.212, subdivision 4a.

Subd. 6. Individual plan to age 21. Upon request of an individual between the ages of 18 and 21 who, within six months of the individual's 18th birthday, had been under the guardianship of the commissioner and who has left foster care, the responsible social services agency which had been the commissioner's agent for purposes of the guardianship shall develop with the individual a plan related to the individual's vocational, educational, social, or maturational needs. The agency shall provide foster care with maintenance and counseling benefits as required to implement the plan. The agency shall enter into a voluntary placement agreement with the individual if the plan includes foster care.

Subd. 7. **Jurisdiction.** Notwithstanding that the court retains jurisdiction pursuant to this section, individuals in foster care pursuant to this section are adults for all purposes except the continued provision of foster care. Any order establishing guardianship under section 260C.325, any legal custody order under section 260C.201, subdivision 1, and any order for legal custody associated with an order for long-term foster care under section 260C.201, subdivision 11, terminates on the child's 18th birthday."

Page 24, delete lines 26 to 28 and insert:

"A parent with a legally recognized parent and child relationship must be provided the right to be heard in any review or hearing held with respect to the child, which includes the right to be heard on the disposition order under section 260C.201, subdivision 1, parental visitation under section 260C.178, and the out-of-home placement plan under section 260C.212, subdivision 1. The right to be heard does not automatically confer party status. Party status is governed by the Minnesota Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure."

Page 25, line 20, delete the new language

Page 25, delete lines 21 to 24

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 2855: A bill for an act relating to human services; making changes to children and family services technical and policy provisions; Minnesota family investment program and adult supports; early childhood development; child welfare; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 119B.189, by adding subdivisions; 119B.19, subdivision 7; 119B.21, as amended; 245A.04, subdivision 11;

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256.01, by adding a subdivision; 256.046, subdivision 1; 256.82, subdivision 3; 256.98, subdivision 8; 256J.24, subdivisions 3, 5a, 10; 256J.37, subdivision 3a; 256J.425, subdivision 5; 260C.007, subdivision 4; 260C.193, subdivision 6; 260C.201, subdivision 10; 260C.451; 626.556, subdivision 10; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 256D.44, subdivision 3; 256J.24, subdivision 5; 256J.425, subdivision 2; 256J.521, subdivision 2; 256J.561, subdivision 3; 256J.66, subdivision 1; 256J.95, subdivisions 3, 11; 260.012; 260C.212, subdivision 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256.82, subdivision 5; Minnesota Rules, part 9560.0660.

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

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

S.F. No. 2518: A bill for an act relating to state government; making changes to the Open Meeting Law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 13D.01; 13D.02, subdivisions 1, 4; 13D.021, subdivisions 1, 4; 13D.04.

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 2008, section 13D.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. In executive branch, local government Open meetings; definitions. (a) All meetings, including executive sessions, of a public body must be open to the public.

(a) of a state

(1) agency,

(2) board,

(3) commission, or

(4) department,

when required or permitted by law to transact public business in a meeting;

(b) of the governing body of a

(1) school district however organized,

(2) unorganized territory,

(3) county,

(4) statutory or home rule charter city,

(5) town, or

(6) other public body;

(c) of any

(1) committee,

(2) subcommittee,

(3) board,

(4) department, or

(5) commission,

of a public body; and

(d) of the governing body or a committee of:

(1) a statewide public pension plan defined in section 356A.01, subdivision 24; or

(2) a local public pension plan governed by section 69.77, sections 69.771 to 69.775, or chapter 354A, 422A, or 423B.

(b) For purposes of this section, "meeting" means a quorum of members of a public body assembling to conduct public business.

(c) "Public body" means any multimember state or local governing body when required or permitted by law to conduct public business in a meeting. The term also includes a committee, subcommittee, commission, board, or other similar body of a state agency or local governing body, a statewide public pension plan as defined by section 356A.01, subdivision 24, or a local public pension plan under sections 69.77, 69.771 to 69.775, or chapter 354A, 422A, or 423B.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Subject of and grounds for closed meeting.** Before closing a meeting, a public body shall state on the record the specific grounds, including the applicable statutory citation or a description of the legal authority, permitting the meeting to be closed and describe the subject to be discussed.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Votes to be kept in journal.** (a) The votes of the members of the state agency, board, commission, or department; or of the governing body, committee, subcommittee, board, department, or commission <u>public body</u> on an action taken in a meeting required by this section to be open to the public must be recorded in a journal kept for that purpose.

(b) The vote of each member must be recorded on each appropriation of money, except for payments of judgments, claims, and amounts fixed by statute.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.01, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Public copy of members' materials.** (a) In any meeting which under subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5, and section 13D.02 must be open to the public, at least one <u>paper copy</u> of any printed <u>or electronic</u> materials relating to the agenda items of the meeting prepared or distributed by or at the direction of the governing body or its employees and:

(1) distributed at the meeting to all members of the governing public body;

(2) distributed before the meeting to all members; or

(3) available in the meeting room to all members;

shall be available in the meeting room for inspection by the public while the governing public body considers their subject matter.

(b) This subdivision does not apply to materials classified by law as other than public as defined in chapter 13, or to materials relating to the agenda items of a closed meeting held in accordance with the procedures in section 13D.03 or other law permitting the closing of meetings.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. Public recording of meetings. Open meetings may be recorded and photographed in a manner that is not disruptive and does not interfere with the meeting as reasonably determined by the public body.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.021, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Conditions.** A meeting governed by this section and section 13D.01, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5, may be conducted by telephone or other electronic means so long as the following conditions are met:

(1) the presiding officer, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer for the affected <u>governing public</u> body determines that an in-person meeting or a meeting conducted under section 13D.02 is not practical or prudent because of a health pandemic or an emergency declared under chapter 12;

(2) all members of the body participating in the meeting, wherever their physical location, can hear one another and can hear all discussion and testimony;

(3) members of the public present at the regular meeting location of the body can hear all discussion and testimony and all votes of the members of the body, unless attendance at the regular meeting location is not feasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration;

(4) at least one member of the body, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer is physically present at the regular meeting location, unless unfeasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration; and

(5) all votes are conducted by roll call, so each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Special meetings.** (a) For a special meeting, except an emergency meeting or a special meeting for which a notice requirement is otherwise expressly established by statute, the public body shall post written notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting on the principal bulletin board of the public body, or if the public body has no principal bulletin board, on the door of its usual meeting room. If the principal bulletin board or door of the public body's usual meeting room is not generally accessible to the public, the public body must post the notice in an area accessible for public viewing.

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(b) The notice shall also be mailed or otherwise delivered to each person who has filed a written request for notice of special meetings with the public body. This notice shall be posted and mailed or delivered at least three calendar days before the date of the meeting.

(c) As an alternative to mailing or otherwise delivering notice to persons who have filed a written request for notice of special meetings, the public body may publish the notice once, at least three <u>calendar</u> days before the meeting, in the official newspaper of the public body or, if there is none, in a qualified newspaper of general circulation within the area of the public body's authority.

(d) A person filing a request for notice of special meetings may limit the request to notification of meetings concerning particular subjects, in which case the public body is required to send notice to that person only concerning special meetings involving those subjects.

(e) A public body may establish an expiration date for requests for notices of special meetings pursuant to this subdivision and require refiling of the request once each year.

(f) Not more than 60 days before the expiration date of a request for notice, the public body shall send notice of the refiling requirement to each person who filed during the preceding year.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13D.04, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **State agencies.** For a meeting of <u>a public body of</u> an agency, board, commission, or department of the state:

(1) the notice requirements of this section apply only if a statute governing meetings of the agency, board, or commission the public body does not contain specific reference to the method of providing notice; and

(2) all provisions of this section relating to publication are satisfied by publication in the State Register and on the agency's Web site."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 2644: A bill for an act relating to retirement; Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund; transfer of administrative functions to the Public Employees Retirement Association; creation of MERF consolidation account within the Public Employees Retirement Association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 11A.23, subdivision 4; 13D.01, subdivision 1; 43A.17, subdivision 9; 43A.316, subdivision 8; 69.021, subdivision 10; 126C.41, subdivision 3; 256D.21; 353.01, subdivision 2b, by adding subdivisions; 353.03, subdivision 1; 353.05; 353.27, as amended; 353.34, subdivisions 1, 6; 353.37, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; 353.46, subdivisions 2, 6; 353.64, subdivision 7; 353.71, subdivision 4; 353.86, subdivisions 1, 2; 353.87, subdivisions 1, 2; 353.88; 354.71; 354A.011, subdivision 27; 354A.39; 356.214, subdivision 1; 356.215, subdivision 8; 356.30, subdivision 1; 356.405, subdivisions 1, 7; 356.303, subdivision 4; 356.407, subdivision 2; 356.431, subdivision 1; 356.465, subdivision 3; 356.64; 356.65, subdivision 2; 356.91; 422A.101, subdivision 3; 422A.26; 473.511, subdivision 3; 473.606, subdivision 5; 475.52, subdivision 6; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 6.67; 69.011, subdivision 1;

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69.031, subdivision 5; 352.01, subdivision 2b; 353.01, subdivision 2a; 353.06; 356.20, subdivision 2; 356.215, subdivision 11; 356.32, subdivision 2; 356.401, subdivision 3; 356.415, subdivision 2; 356.96, subdivision 1; 480.181, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 353; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 13.63, subdivision 1; 69.011, subdivision 2a; 356.43; 422A.01, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 4a, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13a, 17, 18; 422A.02; 422A.03; 422A.04; 422A.05, subdivisions 1, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e, 2f, 5, 6, 8; 422A.06, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7; 422A.08, subdivision 1; 422A.09; 422A.10; 422A.101, subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 2a; 422A.11; 422A.12; 422A.13; 422A.14, subdivision 1; 422A.15; 422A.151; 422A.155; 422A.16, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10; 422A.17; 422A.18, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7; 422A.19; 422A.20; 422A.21; 422A.22, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 6; 422A.23, subdivisions 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12; 422A.231; 422A.24; 422A.25; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 422A.06, subdivision 8; 422A.08, subdivision 5.

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

Page 2, line 10, strike the first "public" and insert "general" and strike "or" and insert "under this chapter,"

Page 2, line 31, reinstate the stricken "and"

Page 3, line 2, delete the new language and insert a period

Page 3, line 3, delete "(4)" and insert "(d) For the purpose of participation in the MERF division of the general employees retirement plan, public employees include"

Page 22, line 11, reinstate the stricken language

Page 22, line 12, reinstate the stricken language and delete the new language

Page 23, line 3, before "Notwithstanding" insert "(a)"

Page 23, after line 9, insert:

"(b) The creation of the MERF division must not be construed to alter the Social Security or Medicare coverage of any member of the former Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund on June 29, 2010, while employed in a position covered under the MERF division of the Public Employees Retirement Association."

Page 23, line 26, delete "June 30" and insert "June 29"

Page 23, line 27, delete "July 1" and insert "June 30"

Page 23, line 33, delete "July 1" and insert "June 30"

Page 25, line 5, after "(e)" insert "Annually after June 30, 2012,"

Page 25, line 12, after "division" insert "and based on a June 30, 2031, amortization date"

Page 25, line 13, delete "\$9,000,000" and insert "\$36,500,000"

Page 25, line 18, delete "2010" and insert "2012"

Page 25, line 26, after "\$9,000,000" insert "or \$36,500,000, whichever applies"

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Page 26, delete subdivision 8 and insert:

"Subd. 7a. Minneapolis Municipal Retirement Association dues. If authorized by an annuitant or retirement benefit recipient in writing on a form prescribed by the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association, the executive director shall deduct the dues for the Minneapolis Municipal Retirement Association from the person's annuity or retirement benefit. This dues deduction authority expires upon the eventual full consolidation of the MERF account under subdivision 8.

Subd. 8. Eventual full consolidation. (a) Once the fiscal year end market value of assets of the MERF division account equals or exceeds 80 percent of the actuarial accrued liability of the MERF division as calculated by the approved actuary retained by the Public Employees Retirement Association under section 356.215 and the Standards for Actuarial Work adopted by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement, the MERF division must be merged with the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association and the MERF division account ceases as a separate account within the general employees retirement fund of the Public Employees Retirement Association.

(b) If the market value of the MERF division account is less than 100 percent of the actuarial accrued liability of the MERF division under paragraph (a), the total employer contribution of employing units referenced in subdivision 7, paragraph (e), for the period after the full consolidation and June 30, 2031, to amortize on a level annual dollar payment the remaining unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the former MERF division account on the full consolidation date by June 30, 2031, shall be calculated by the consulting actuary retained under section 356.214 using the applicable postretirement interest rate actuarial assumption for the general employees retirement plan under section 356.215. The actuarial accrued liability of the MERF division must be calculated using the healthy retired life mortality assumption applicable to the general employees retirement plan.

(c) The merger shall occur as of the first day of the first month after the date on which the triggering actuarial valuation report is filed with the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement.

(d) The executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association shall prepare proposed legislation fully implementing the merger and updating the applicable provisions of chapters 353 and 356 and transmit the proposed legislation to the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement by the following February 15.

Subd. 9. Merger of former MERF membership groups into PERA-general. If provided for in an agreement between the board of trustees of the Public Employees Retirement Association and the governing board of an employing unit formerly with retirement coverage provided for its employees by the former Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund, an employing unit may transfer sufficient assets to the general employees retirement fund to cover the anticipated actuarial accrued liability for its current or former employees that is in excess of MERF division account assets attributable to those employees, have those employees be considered full members of the general employees retirement plan, and be relieved of any further contribution obligation to the general employees retirement plan for those employees under this section. Any agreement under this subdivision and any actuarial valuation report related to a merger under this subdivision must be submitted to the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement for comment prior to the final execution."

Page 34, line 28, after "2012" insert ", and"

Page 34, line 29, after "(d)" insert "Annually and after June 30, 2012,"

Page 36, line 28, after the period, insert "Upon the transfer of the employee, the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund shall transfer assets to the city of Minneapolis equal to the present value of any accumulated unused vacation or sick leave balances as of the date of transfer."

Page 37, line 7, after the period, insert "Upon the transfer of the employee, the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association shall deduct from any assets transferred under section 353.50 an amount equal to the present value of any accumulated unused vacation or sick leave balances as of the date of transfer."

Page 59, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 355.095, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Agreement.** (a) The director, on behalf of the state, its political subdivisions, and its other governmental employers, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of Health and Human Services to extend the provisions of United States Code, title 42, section 426, 426-1, and 1395c, to the employees in paragraph (b) who meet the requirements of United States Code, title 42, section 418(v)(2) and who do not have coverage by the federal old age, survivors, and disability insurance program for that employment under any previous modification of the agreement or previous Medicare referendum.

(b) The applicable employees are:

(1) employees who are members of one of the retirement plans in <u>Minnesota Statutes 2008</u>, section 356.30, subdivision 3, except clauses (4) and (8), based on continuous employment since March 31, 1986; and

(2) employees of a special authority or district who have been continuously employed by the special authority or district since March 31, 1986."

Page 72, line 27, delete "41" and insert "42"

Renumber the sections in sequence

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

S.F. No. 2397: A bill for an act relating to the city of Duluth; providing for membership of the Spirit Mountain Recreation Area Authority; amending Laws 1973, chapter 327, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended.

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

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Page 1, lines 14 and 15, delete the new language and reinstate the stricken language

Page 1, line 16, after the period, insert "<u>The initial term of the two directors added to the authority</u> in 2010 shall be four years."

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

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2605: A resolution calling on the Congressional Delegation of the Great State of Minnesota to fully support and fund passage of the Agent Orange Equity Act of 2009.

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 Vickerman from the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2554: A bill for an act relating to veterans; authorizing use of "Proud to be a Veteran" license plate on self-propelled recreational vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 168.1255, subdivision 1.

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

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2920: A bill for an act relating to veterans; providing attorney fees and costs for prevailing parties seeking the enforcement of certain veterans preference laws; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

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

Page 1, line 10, before "includes" insert "also"

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

Senator Vickerman from the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2429: A bill for an act relating to veterans; clarifying the transit fee exemption provisions related to veterans with service-connected disabilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 174.24, subdivision 7; 473.408, subdivision 10.

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

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

S.F. No. 2555: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; specifying immunity for certain entities in the event of an emergency or disaster; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 12.22, subdivision 2a.

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 2008, section 12.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4e. Entity. "Entity" includes a firm, corporation, association, limited liability company, partnership, limited liability partnership, nonprofit organization, or other business, religious, or charitable organization.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 12.22, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2b. Entity volunteer protections. (a) An entity or an agent acting on behalf of the entity who volunteers without compensation or the expectation of compensation to assist a local jurisdiction during an emergency or disaster, who previously registers with that jurisdiction, and who is under the direction and control of the local jurisdiction is not liable for civil damages or administrative sanctions as a result of good-faith acts or omissions by that entity or agent in rendering emergency care, advice, or assistance.

(b) An entity or an agent acting on behalf of the entity who volunteers without compensation or the expectation of compensation to assist the state during an emergency or disaster, who previously registers with a state agency, and who is under the direction and control of the state agency is not liable for civil damages or administrative sanctions as a result of good-faith acts or omissions by that entity or agent in rendering emergency care, advice, or assistance.

(c) This subdivision does not apply if the entity or agent acts in a willful and wanton or reckless manner in providing the care, advice, or assistance.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment, and applies to actions accruing on or after the date."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to civil actions; modifying volunteer protections during an emergency or disaster; specifying immunity for certain entities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 12.03, by adding a subdivision; 12.22, by adding a subdivision."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Senator Moua from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 2453: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; allowing bicyclist to stop and proceed through red light under limited circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section

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169.06, subdivision 9; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 169.06, subdivision 9.

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

Page 2, delete section 2

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

Senator Moua from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 2413: A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing municipalities to permit certain solicitations; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 465.

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

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

S.F. No. 2267: A bill for an act relating to occupations and professions; modifying terms relating to firefighters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 299N.03, subdivision 5.

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

Senator Scheid from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2592: A bill for an act relating to insurance; allowing certain minors to contract for automobile insurance; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 65B.

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

Page 1, delete lines 6 to 8 and insert:

"A minor authorized under section 168.101, subdivision 1, to own a private passenger vehicle, as defined in section 65B.001, subdivision 3, may contract to buy a plan of reparation security, as defined in section 65B.43, subdivision 15, on that vehicle, as a contract that is fully binding on the minor on the same basis as if the minor were an adult. This section does not require an insurer to issue coverage to a minor or limit an insurer's underwriting discretion in regard to any aspect of the coverage."

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

Senator Scheid from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2590: A bill for an act relating to local government; providing for securities lending agreements and holding of municipal funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 118A.05, subdivision 3; 118A.06.

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

Page 1, line 10, delete "business operations" and insert "a bank office"

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2461: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring the commissioner of transportation to implement complete streets policy; requiring reports; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 174.

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

Page 1, delete article 1

Page 1, after line 17, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 162.02, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. Variances from rules and engineering standards. (a) Subject to section 174.75, subdivision 6, the commissioner may grant variances from the rules and from the engineering standards developed pursuant to section 162.021 or 162.07, subdivision 2. A political subdivision in which a county state-aid highway is located or is proposed to be located may submit a written request to the commissioner for a variance for that highway.

(b) The commissioner shall publish notice of the request in the State Register and give notice to all persons known to the commissioner to have an interest in the matter. The commissioner may grant or deny the variance within 30 days of providing notice of the request. If a written objection to the request is received within seven days of providing notice, the variance shall be granted or denied only after a contested case hearing has been held on the request. If no timely objection is received and the variance is denied without hearing, the political subdivision may request, within 30 days of receiving notice of denial, and shall be granted a contested case hearing.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "political subdivision" includes (1) an agency of a political subdivision which has jurisdiction over parks, and (2) a regional park authority.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 162.09, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. Variances from rules and engineering standards. (a) Subject to section 174.75, subdivision 6, the commissioner may grant variances from the rules and from the engineering standards developed pursuant to section 162.13, subdivision 2. A political subdivision in which a municipal state-aid street is located or is proposed to be located may submit a written request to the commissioner for a variance for that street.

(b) The commissioner shall publish notice of the request in the State Register and give notice to all persons known to the commissioner to have an interest in the matter. The commissioner may grant or deny the variance within 30 days of providing notice of the request. If a written objection to the request is received within seven days of providing notice, the variance shall be granted or denied only after a contested case hearing has been held on the request. If no timely objection is received

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and the variance is denied without hearing, the political subdivision may request, within 30 days of receiving notice of denial, and shall be granted a contested case hearing.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "political subdivision" includes (1) an agency of a political subdivision which has jurisdiction over parks, and (2) a regional park authority."

Page 2, after line 18, insert:

"Subd. 6. Variances from engineering standards. (a) When evaluating a request for a variance from the engineering standards for state-aid projects under chapter 162 in which the variance request is related to complete streets, the commissioner shall consider the latest edition of:

(1) A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets, from the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials; and

(2) for projects in urban areas, the Context Sensitive Solutions in Designing Major Urban Thoroughfares for Walkable Communities, from the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

(b) If the commissioner denies a variance request related to complete streets, the commissioner shall provide written reasons for the denial to the political subdivision that submitted the request."

Page 2, delete section 1

Page 3, line 4, after the third comma, insert "summarize steps taken to expedite and improve the transparency of the state-aid variance process related to complete streets,"

Page 3, line 15, delete "report"

Page 3, line 16, delete everything before the semicolon and insert "identify any recommendations for supporting local complete streets implementation under the state-aid standards variance process"

Renumber the articles and sections in sequence

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 Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2741: A bill for an act relating to public safety; modifying implied consent, driving while impaired, and ignition interlock provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 169A.52, subdivisions 3, 4; 169A.54, subdivisions 2, 5; 169A.55, by adding a subdivision; 169A.60, subdivision 1; 171.09; 171.30, subdivisions 1, 2a, 4; 171.306, as amended; 609.131, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 169A.275, subdivision 7; 169A.54, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 169A.54, subdivision 1; 171.30, subdivision 2; 171.305, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2707: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; granting units of government and peace officers authority to take into custody and impound vehicles in certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 168B.04, subdivision 2.

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

Page 1, lines 7 and 8, delete the new language and reinstate the stricken language

Page 2, line 6, delete "unit of government or a"

Page 2, line 7, delete "under any of the following circumstances:" and insert "when"

Page 2, line 8, delete "(1)" and delete everything after "custody" and insert a period

Page 2, delete lines 9 to 13

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "units of government and"

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2653: A bill for an act relating to transportation; amending requirements for type III vehicle drivers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 171.321, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 171.02, subdivision 2b.

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

Page 2, line 24, strike "and alcohol"

Page 2, line 27, delete the second "the"

Page 2, line 28, delete "preemployment" and insert "random"

Page 4, after line 15, insert:

"Sec. 3. RULEMAKING EXCEPTION.

The actions of the commissioner of public safety in establishing physical qualifications for type III vehicle drivers are not rulemaking for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, are not subject to the Administrative Procedure Act contained in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, and are not subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386."

Amend the title accordingly

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2004: A bill for an act relating to transportation; allowing road authorities to remove snow from certain roads in uncompleted subdivisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section

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160.21, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 8, after "authority" insert ", including a statutory or home rule charter city,"

Page 1, line 12, delete "and" and insert "or"

Page 2, line 5, after the period, insert "This paragraph does not apply to a claim for injury that is affirmatively caused by a negligent act of the road authority or its officers and employees."

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2469: A bill for an act relating to transportation; regulating contracts; prohibiting indemnification provisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 221.

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

Page 1, line 18, delete the first "the" and insert "a" and after "carrier" insert "or a private carrier"

Page 1, line 19, delete "for compensation or hire"

Page 2, line 5, delete everything after "America" and insert "or other agreements providing for the interchange, use or possession of intermodal chassis, containers, or other intermodal equipment."

Page 2, delete lines 6 and 7

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2544: A bill for an act relating to highways; modifying provisions relating to transportation projects; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 174.02, by adding subdivisions.

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

Page 1, line 8, before "The" insert "(a)"

Page 1, line 12, delete everything after "Budget."

Page 1, delete lines 13 and 14 and insert:

"(b) Beginning August 1, 2011, and every subsequent year on August 1, the commissioner shall submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance, and to the Legislative Reference Library, an electronic listing of all agreements executed under this subdivision. The listing must identify each agreement, the contracting entities, contract amount, duration, and any repayment requirements."

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

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Senator Murphy from the Committee on Transportation, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2658: A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing road authority to issue annual permit for overweight vehicle transporting milk under certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 169.865, 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 2008, section 169.86, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Fee; proceeds deposited; appropriation. The commissioner, with respect to highways under the commissioner's jurisdiction, may charge a fee for each permit issued. All such fees for permits issued by the commissioner of transportation shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the trunk highway fund. Except for those annual permits for which the permit fees are specified elsewhere in this chapter, the fees shall be:

(a) \$15 for each single trip permit.

(b) \$36 for each job permit. A job permit may be issued for like loads carried on a specific route for a period not to exceed two months. "Like loads" means loads of the same product, weight, and dimension.

(c) \$60 for an annual permit to be issued for a period not to exceed 12 consecutive months. Annual permits may be issued for:

(1) motor vehicles used to alleviate a temporary crisis adversely affecting the safety or well-being of the public;

(2) motor vehicles which travel on interstate highways and carry loads authorized under subdivision 1a;

(3) motor vehicles operating with gross weights authorized under section 169.826, subdivision 1a;

(4) special pulpwood vehicles described in section 169.863;

(5) motor vehicles bearing snowplow blades not exceeding ten feet in width;

(6) noncommercial transportation of a boat by the owner or user of the boat; and

(7) motor vehicles carrying bales of agricultural products authorized under section 169.862; and

(8) special milk hauling vehicles authorized under section 169.867.

(d) \$120 for an oversize annual permit to be issued for a period not to exceed 12 consecutive months. Annual permits may be issued for:

(1) mobile cranes;

(2) construction equipment, machinery, and supplies;

(3) manufactured homes and manufactured storage buildings;

(4) implements of husbandry when the movement is not made according to the provisions of paragraph (i);

(5) double-deck buses;

(6) commercial boat hauling; and

(7) three-vehicle combinations consisting of two empty, newly manufactured trailers for cargo, horses, or livestock, not to exceed 28-1/2 feet per trailer; provided, however, the permit allows the vehicles to be moved from a trailer manufacturer to a trailer dealer only while operating on twin-trailer routes designated under section 169.81, subdivision 3, paragraph (c).

(e) For vehicles which have axle weights exceeding the weight limitations of sections 169.822 to 169.829, an additional cost added to the fees listed above. However, this paragraph applies to any vehicle described in section 168.013, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), but only when the vehicle exceeds its gross weight allowance set forth in that paragraph, and then the additional cost is for all weight, including the allowance weight, in excess of the permitted maximum axle weight. The additional cost is equal to the product of the distance traveled times the sum of the overweight axle group cost factors shown in the following chart:

Weight (pounds)	Cost	Per Mile For Each Gr	oup Of:
exceeding weight limitations on axles	Two consecutive axles spaced within 8 feet or less	Three consecutive axles spaced within 9 feet or less	Four consecutive axles spaced within 14 feet or less
0-2,000	.12	.05	.04
2,001-4,000	.14	.06	.05
4,001-6,000	.18	.07	.06
6,001-8,000	.21	.09	.07
8,001-10,000	.26	.10	.08
10,001-12,000	.30	.12	.09
12,001-14,000	Not permitted	.14	.11
14,001-16,000	Not permitted	.17	.12
16,001-18,000	Not permitted	.19	.15
18,001-20,000	Not permitted	Not permitted	.16
20,001-22,000	Not permitted	Not permitted	.20

Overweight Axle Group Cost Factors

The amounts added are rounded to the nearest cent for each axle or axle group. The additional cost does not apply to paragraph (c), clauses (1) and (3).

For a vehicle found to exceed the appropriate maximum permitted weight, a cost-per-mile fee of 22

cents per ton, or fraction of a ton, over the permitted maximum weight is imposed in addition to the normal permit fee. Miles must be calculated based on the distance already traveled in the state plus the distance from the point of detection to a transportation loading site or unloading site within the state or to the point of exit from the state.

(f) As an alternative to paragraph (e), an annual permit may be issued for overweight, or oversize and overweight, construction equipment, machinery, and supplies. The fees for the permit are as follows:

Gross Weight (pounds) of Vehicle	Annual Permit Fee
90,000 or less	\$200
90,001 - 100,000	\$300
100,001 - 110,000	\$400
110,001 - 120,000	\$500
120,001 - 130,000	\$600
130,001 - 140,000	\$700
140,001 - 145,000	\$800

If the gross weight of the vehicle is more than 145,000 pounds the permit fee is determined under paragraph (e).

(g) For vehicles which exceed the width limitations set forth in section 169.80 by more than 72 inches, an additional cost equal to \$120 added to the amount in paragraph (a) when the permit is issued while seasonal load restrictions pursuant to section 169.87 are in effect.

(h) \$85 for an annual permit to be issued for a period not to exceed 12 months, for refuse-compactor vehicles that carry a gross weight of not more than: 22,000 pounds on a single rear axle; 38,000 pounds on a tandem rear axle; or, subject to section 169.828, subdivision 2, 46,000 pounds on a tridem rear axle. A permit issued for up to 46,000 pounds on a tridem rear axle must limit the gross vehicle weight to not more than 62,000 pounds.

(i) For vehicles exclusively transporting implements of husbandry, an annual permit fee of \$24. A vehicle operated under a permit authorized by this paragraph may be moved at the discretion of the permit holder without prior route approval by the commissioner if:

(1) the total width of the transporting vehicle, including load, does not exceed 14 feet;

(2) the vehicle is operated only between sunrise and 30 minutes after sunset, and is not operated at any time after 12:00 noon on Sundays or holidays;

(3) the vehicle is not operated when visibility is impaired by weather, fog, or other conditions that render persons and other vehicles not clearly visible at 500 feet;

(4) the vehicle displays at the front and rear of the load or vehicle a pair of flashing amber lights, as provided in section 169.59, subdivision 4, whenever the overall width of the vehicle exceeds 126 inches; and

(5) the vehicle is not operated on a trunk highway with a surfaced roadway width of less than

24 feet unless such operation is authorized by the permit.

A permit under this paragraph authorizes movements of the permitted vehicle on an interstate highway, and movements of 75 miles or more on other highways.

(j) \$300 for a motor vehicle described in section 169.8261. The fee under this paragraph must be deposited as follows:

(1) in fiscal years 2005 through 2010:

(i) the first \$50,000 in each fiscal year must be deposited in the trunk highway fund for costs related to administering the permit program and inspecting and posting bridges;

(ii) all remaining money in each fiscal year must be deposited in a bridge inspection and signing account in the special revenue fund. Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner for:

(A) inspection of local bridges and identification of local bridges to be posted, including contracting with a consultant for some or all of these functions; and

(B) erection of weight-posting signs on local bridges; and

(2) in fiscal year 2011 and subsequent years must be deposited in the trunk highway fund.

(k) Beginning August 1, 2006, \$200 for an annual permit for a vehicle operating under authority of section 169.824, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (2).

Sec. 2. [169.867] SPECIAL MILK HAULING PERMIT.

Subdivision 1. **Permit.** A road authority may issue an annual permit authorizing a single-unit vehicle to haul milk at weights that exceed the limitations provided in sections 169.823 and 169.824 by ten percent. The fee for this permit is as provided in section 169.86, subdivision 5, paragraph (c).

Subd. 2. Expiration. A permit under subdivision 1 may only be issued before August 1, 2012.

Subd. 3. Requirements; restrictions. A vehicle operating under a permit under subdivision 1:

(1) is subject to seasonal load restrictions under section 169.87;

(2) may not take advantage of seasonal weight increases authorized by section 169.826;

(3) is subject to bridge load limits posted under section 169.84;

(4) may not be operated on the interstate highway system; and

(5) may not be operated with a load that exceeds the manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating as affixed to the vehicle, or other certification of gross vehicle weight rating complying with Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, parts 567.4 to 567.7."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing road authority to issue annual permit for overweight vehicle transporting milk under certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 169.86, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169."

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

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 2518, 2397, 2453, 2413, 2267, 2653, 2004, 2544 and 2658 were read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senator Cohen introduced-

S.F. No. 2931: A bill for an act relating to tourism; providing reimbursements for certain film production costs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116U.26.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Olson, M.; Scheid; Langseth and Tomassoni introduced-

S.F. No. 2932: A bill for an act relating to liquor; authorizing city of Bemidji to issue intoxicating liquor license to Bemidji Regional Event Center.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 2933: A bill for an act relating to human services; making changes to continuing care policy and technical provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 626.557, subdivision 9a; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 144.0724, subdivision 11; 256B.0625, subdivision 19c; 256B.0651, by adding a subdivision; 256B.0652, subdivision 6; 256B.0659, subdivisions 10, 11, 21, 30, by adding a subdivision.

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

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 2934: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying personal care assistant services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 256B.0625, subdivision 6a; 256B.0653, subdivision 3; 256B.0659, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 11, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 29, 30.

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

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 2935: A bill for an act relating to human services; making changes to licensing provisions; modifying background study requirements, disqualifications, and data classification; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 245A.07, subdivision 2a; 245A.30; 245B.05, subdivision 7; 245C.02, subdivision 18; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 245A.03,

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subdivision 2; 245A.04, subdivisions 5, 7; 245A.07, subdivisions 1, 3; 245A.144; 245A.50, subdivision 5; 245C.15, subdivision 2; 245C.20; 245C.22, subdivision 7.

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

Senator Robling introduced-

S.F. No. 2936: A bill for an act relating to higher education; modifying grant eligibility; modifying loan limits and terms; increasing private institution fees; eliminating the high school-to-college developmental transition program; defining terms; transferring funds; modifying and reducing appropriations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 136A.127, by adding subdivisions; 136A.1701, subdivisions 4, 7; 136A.69, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 141.255; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 136A.121, subdivision 9; 136A.127, subdivision 9; Laws 2009, chapter 95, article 1, sections 3, subdivisions 6, 12; 4, subdivision 4, as amended; 5, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 136A.1701, subdivision 5; 136A.69, subdivision 5; 136A.69, subdivision 2; 141.255, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 136A.121, subdivision 5; 136A.61; 136A.121, subdivision 9b.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Rosen, Marty, Dibble, Berglin and Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 2937: A bill for an act relating to human services; chemical dependency treatment; pilot projects; requiring a report; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 254B; repealing Laws 2009, chapter 79, article 7, section 26, subdivision 3.

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

Senator Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 2938: A bill for an act relating to the city of Oakdale; extending duration of a tax increment financing district.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Koering and Saxhaug introduced-

S.F. No. 2939: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; allowing scopes on muzzleloaders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 97B.031, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Fischbach, Senjem, Koch, Michel and Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 2940: A bill for an act relating to state government; providing for zero-based budgeting; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

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Senators Saltzman, Sieben and Vandeveer introduced-

S.F. No. 2941: A bill for an act relating to youth development; authorizing county and state fair surcharges; authorizing municipalities to raise and spend money on 4-H; requiring a University of Minnesota Extension Service policy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 37.13, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 38.

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

Senator Koering introduced-

S.F. No. 2942: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; prohibiting muskellunge stocking in South Long Lake; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 97C.201.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Rummel, Scheid, Stumpf and Clark introduced-

S.F. No. 2943: A bill for an act relating to education finance; creating an innovation grant; establishing a community school pilot project; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Tomassoni introduced-

S.F. No. 2944: A bill for an act relating to licensing; modifying contractor continuing education requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 326B.821, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senator Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 2945: A bill for an act relating to public safety; amending a definition related to child pornography; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 617.246, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Prettner Solon introduced-

S.F. No. 2946: A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; allowing collection of fees under the license reinstatement diversion pilot program to be extended for 18 months; amending Laws 2009, chapter 59, article 3, section 4, subdivision 9.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Ortman, Koch, Vandeveer, Pariseau and Limmer introduced-

S.F. No. 2947: A bill for an act relating to state government; transferring oversight of the Metropolitan Council to the legislature; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 3.8841.

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

Senators Olseen and Lynch introduced-

S.F. No. 2948: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for charter school financial services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 124D.10, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Olseen, Saxhaug, Lynch, Saltzman and Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 2949: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for online learning; statewide assessment supervision; limiting advertising; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 124D.095, subdivisions 4, 10.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Sparks, Robling, Scheid, Langseth and Metzen introduced-

S.F. No. 2950: A bill for an act relating to economic development; creating the jobs, family, and economic development fund; providing a funding mechanism for agricultural, rural, early childhood, bioscience, medical technology, and economic development; providing a funding mechanism for athletic, recreational, and extracurricular activities and capital improvements; providing for and regulating gaming activities at racetracks and increasing purses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 240.07, subdivision 3; 240.35, subdivision 1; 299L.07, subdivisions 2, 2a; 340A.410, subdivision 5; 541.20; 541.21; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 240.

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

Senators Sheran, Marty, Murphy, Bakk and Koch introduced-

S.F. No. 2951: A bill for an act relating to environment; providing for long-term storage costs of spent nuclear waste; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116C.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Moua and Limmer introduced-

S.F. No. 2952: A bill for an act relating to privacy; reinstating authority for release of financial records in response to a subpoena; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 13A.02, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Olson, G.; Rest; Gerlach and Robling introduced-

S.F. No. 2953: A bill for an act relating to local government; prohibiting city employees from serving on the city council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 412.02, by adding a

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subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 410.

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

Senator Prettner Solon introduced-

S.F. No. 2954: A bill for an act relating to local government; requiring an adjustment in continuation health insurance premiums charged for certain disabled retired local government employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 471.61, subdivision 2b.

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

Senators Lynch and Olseen introduced-

S.F. No. 2955: A bill for an act relating to education; revising the safe schools levy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 126C.44.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 2956: A bill for an act relating to education; amending school calendar restrictions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 120A.40.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Rest introduced-

S.F. No. 2957: A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing Hennepin County to purchase energy under forward pricing mechanisms; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 383B.

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

Senators Lynch, Lourey and Sheran introduced-

S.F. No. 2958: A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing county offices to be open on Saturdays; prohibiting the modification of certain collective bargaining agreements; requiring a report to the legislature; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 373.052, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 471.999.

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

Senator Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 2959: A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing a MinnesotaCare defined contribution program; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256L.

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

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Senator Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 2960: A bill for an act relating to labor and employment; repealing certain equipment and apparel requirements; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 181.986.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senator Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 2961: A bill for an act relating to state government; providing that agency rulemaking activity may take place only when the legislature is not meeting in regular session; providing that newly adopted rules expire at the end of the next legislative session; modifying rulemaking procedures; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 14.389, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 14.131; 14.14, subdivisions 1, 1b, 2, 2a, 3; 14.15; 14.16; 14.18; 14.19; 14.20; 14.22, subdivision 2; 14.225; 14.23; 14.24; 14.25; 14.26; 14.27; 14.28; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 14.14, subdivision 1a; 14.22, subdivision 1.

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

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 2962: A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating the sale and termination of portable electronics insurance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 60K.36, subdivision 2; 60K.38, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 59D.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 2963: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Blazing Star Trail; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 2964: A bill for an act relating to finance; creating a preference for community banks and credit unions for the state's general revenue account; requiring that state depository accounts be held in community banks or credit unions; requiring a study of possible further use of community banks and credit unions by the state and municipalities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 16A.27, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Koch, Clark and Moua introduced-

S.F. No. 2965: A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting persons from allowing underage drinking under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 340A.503, subdivision 2; 340A.701, subdivision 1; 340A.702.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 2966: A bill for an act relating to local government; allowing Mower County to go to a four-day week for five years.

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

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 2967: A bill for an act relating to Mower County; providing a process for making office of county recorder appointive.

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

Senator Jungbauer introduced-

S.F. No. 2968: A bill for an act relating to civil law; establishing a special duty of care for municipal building inspectors and local subsurface sewage treatment system inspectors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 115.55, by adding a subdivision; 326B.133, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Olson, M. introduced-

S.F. No. 2969: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; requiring invasive species training for commercial dock and boat lift installers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 84D.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Saltzman and Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 2970: A bill for an act relating to tax increment financing; city of Landfall Village; extending the five-year rule for a district.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Prettner Solon, Carlson and Doll introduced-

S.F. No. 2971: A bill for an act relating to energy; making technical changes related to utility report filings, hydrogen energy projects, weatherization programs, public utility commission assessments, and utility metering for supporting housing; removing obsolete and redundant language; authorizing individuals and entities to take certain easements in agricultural land; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 16E.15, subdivision 2; 216B.241, subdivision 2; 216B.812, subdivision 2; 216C.264; 216E.18, subdivision 3; 326B.106, subdivision 12; 500.221, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 216C.19, subdivisions 2, 3, 13, 14, 15,

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16, 18, 19, 20; 216C.262; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 216C.19, subdivision 17.

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

Senator Prettner Solon introduced-

S.F. No. 2972: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying medical assistance coverage of medication therapy management services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 256B.0625, subdivision 13h.

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

Senator Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 2973: A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing county and regional jails to house offenders from other states; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 641.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 2974: A bill for an act relating to health; amending provisions for electronic health record technology; providing for administrative penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 62J.495, subdivisions 1a, 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62J.

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

Senators Lourey, Koering and Skogen introduced-

S.F. No. 2975: A bill for an act relating to human services; adding community paramedics to the list of community health workers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 256B.0625, subdivision 49.

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

Senators Metzen and Clark introduced-

S.F. No. 2976: A bill for an act relating to clean water; authorizing use of the clean water legacy account to support local inflow and infiltration reduction programs; appropriating money from constitutionally dedicated funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 114D.45, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Betzold introduced-

S.F. No. 2977: A bill for an act relating to human services; delaying the effective date of certain amendments to certain estate recovery provisions.

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

Senators Ingebrigtsen and Olson, G. introduced-

S.F. No. 2978: A bill for an act relating to environment; providing for extension of temporary closure status on underground storage tanks; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116.49, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Moua, Murphy and Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 2979: A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing that prior DWI driver's license revocations no longer enhance criminal penalties or trigger or accelerate DWI vehicle forfeitures; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 169A.03, subdivision 3; 169A.095; 169A.24, subdivision 1; 169A.275, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; 169A.28, subdivision 1; 169A.31, subdivision 2; 169A.44, subdivision 2; 169A.63, subdivisions 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 609.035, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Bakk introduced-

S.F. No. 2980: A bill for an act relating to the financing of state and local government; taxation; education finance; eliminating the sales tax exemption on clothing; adjusting the school payment shift; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 127A.45, subdivision 2; 297A.62, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 297A.65; 473.757, subdivision 10; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 297A.992, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 297A.61, subdivision 46; 297A.67, subdivisions 8, 27.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Olson, G. introduced-

S.F. No. 2981: A bill for an act relating to state lands; repealing state land sale requirement; repealing Laws 2005, chapter 156, article 2, section 45, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Lynch, Olseen, Skogen, Senjem and Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 2982: A bill for an act relating to highways; authorizing issuance and sale of trunk highway bonds; appropriating money for interchange construction.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

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Senator Torres Ray introduced-

S.F. No. 2983: A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring health insurance to cover routine health care received while participating in a qualified clinical trial under certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Moua introduced-

S.F. No. 2984: A bill for an act relating to judiciary; enacting the Uniform Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act proposed for adoption by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; providing for penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 609.48, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 358.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 2985: A bill for an act relating to real property; amending the Minnesota Common Interest Ownership Act; making clarifying, conforming, and technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 515B.1-102; 515B.1-103; 515B.1-107; 515B.1-112; 515B.1-115; 515B.1-116; 515B.2-101; 515B.2-102; 515B.2-105; 515B.2-106; 515B.2-108; 515B.2-109; 515B.2-110; 515B.2-111; 515B.2-112; 515B.2-113; 515B.2-114; 515B.2-118; 515B.2-119; 515B.2-121; 515B.2-124; 515B.3-101; 515B.3-102; 515B.3-103; 515B.3-104; 515B.3-105; 515B.3-106; 515B.3-109; 515B.3-110; 515B.3-112; 515B.3-112; 515B.3-113; 515B.3-114; 515B.3-115; 515B.3-116; 515B.3-117; 515B.3-120; 515B.3-121; 515B.4-101; 515B.4-102; 515B.4-104; 515B.4-105; 515B.4-106; 515B.4-107; 515B.4-108; 515B.4-110; 515B.4-111; 515B.4-115; 515B.4-116; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 515B.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Erickson Ropes, Marty, Koering, Lourey and Dille introduced-

S.F. No. 2986: A bill for an act relating to health; specifying certain aspects of prepaid health plan contracts entered into by the commissioner of human services or county-based purchasing plans; requiring use of certain accounting procedures; providing health care providers and others a right to audit under those contracts; providing for resolution of disputes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.69, subdivisions 5i, 9, by adding a subdivision.

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

Senators Murphy, Bakk, Lynch and Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 2987: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing a sales tax exemption for construction materials for new and expanding businesses in St. Charles; authorizing the city of St. Charles to create a tax increment financing district subject to certain rules; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 297A.71, subdivision 41.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Higgins; Saltzman; Olson, M.; Tomassoni and Dille introduced-

S.F. No. 2988: A bill for an act relating to economic development; expanding loan program to veteran-owned small businesses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116J.996.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Stumpf and Ingebrigtsen introduced-

S.F. No. 2989: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying the compensation program for livestock crippled or destroyed by a gray wolf; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 3.737, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 3.737, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senator Dibble introduced-

S.F. No. 2990: A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing a criminal penalty for intentionally rendering a service animal unable to perform its duties; requiring that offenders who are convicted of harming service animals pay restitution; clarifying that civil remedies are not precluded by the criminal penalty for harming service animals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 343.21, subdivisions 8a, 9, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Dibble and Sieben introduced-

S.F. No. 2991: A bill for an act relating to solid waste; amending Minnesota's waste management hierarchy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 115A.02.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Dibble introduced-

S.F. No. 2992: A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying the definition of dependent for purposes of group benefits for local government officers and employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 471.61, subdivisions 1a, 2a; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 471.61, subdivision 1.

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

Senator Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 2993: A bill for an act relating to economic development; repealing a sales tax exemption; appropriating money for an industrial park; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 297A.75, as amended; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 297A.71, subdivision 41.

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Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 2994: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; modifying a sales tax construction exemption; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 297A.71, subdivision 41; 297A.75, subdivisions 1, 2.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Sheran, Pappas, Clark and Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 2995: A bill for an act relating to higher education; raising the cap for revenue bonds authorized for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 136F.98, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Fischbach introduced-

S.F. No. 2996: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing school concession stands as a specific category of food and beverage service establishments; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 157.15, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 157.16, subdivisions 1, 3.

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

Senators Olson, M.; Moua and Limmer introduced-

S.F. No. 2997: A bill for an act relating to data practices; exempting certain domestic abuse or sexual attack programs from data practices requirements; classifying data; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Sheran, Marty, Rosen, Prettner Solon and Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 2998: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying authorization of PACE programs; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 256B.69, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Olson, M. introduced-

S.F. No. 2999: A bill for an act relating to children; modifying provisions relating to children in need of protection or services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 260C.007, subdivisions 6, 14; 260C.163, subdivision 2; 260C.201, by adding a subdivision; 260C.301, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 260.012; 260C.175, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Saltzman and Gerlach introduced-

S.F. No. 3000: A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying the aid payment schedule for certain charter schools; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 127A.45, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 3001: A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a veterans facility in Harmony.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Bonoff, Stumpf, Torres Ray, Fobbe and Robling introduced-

S.F. No. 3002: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing an advisory task force on school desegregation and integration.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Saltzman and Anderson introduced-

S.F. No. 3003: A bill for an act relating to the environment; modifying requirements for solid waste disposal facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116.07, subdivisions 4, 4h.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senator Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 3004: A bill for an act relating to veterans; clarifying authority of commissioner of veterans affairs to spend certain funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 198.003, subdivision 4a.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Clark, Olseen and Stumpf introduced-

S.F. No. 3005: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; authorizing Metropolitan Council best value contracts and procurement for transit vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 473.129, by adding a subdivision.

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

Senator Saltzman introduced-

S.F. No. 3006: A bill for an act relating to water; requiring disclosure of contaminated wells and

special well construction areas; requiring perfluorochemical testing of new wells in certain areas; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103I.236; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103I.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Dille, Erickson Ropes, Vickerman, Langseth and Gimse introduced-

S.F. No. 3007: A resolution memorializing Congress to amend the charter for the American Legion to authorize all veterans to join the Legion.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Latz, Saltzman and Bonoff introduced-

S.F. No. 3008: A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing a school district to use its operating capital for certain costs associated with closing a school; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 126C.10, subdivision 14.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Torres Ray introduced-

S.F. No. 3009: A bill for an act relating to eliminating health disparities; requiring the commissioner of health to develop new categories for collecting granular data that accurately captures race, ethnicity, primary language, and socioeconomic status; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 145.928, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

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

Senator Limmer introduced-

S.F. No. 3010: A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing the Office of Administrative Hearings to review driver's license revocation or disqualification and motor vehicle plate impoundment resulting from implied consent violations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 169A.52, subdivision 6; 169A.53; 169A.60, subdivision 10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 357.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Pappas introduced-

S.F. No. 3011: A bill for an act relating to higher education; authorizing data matching; modifying institution eligibility; establishing award procedures; establishing scholarship priorities; establishing powers and duties; providing for refunds; defining terms; making technical corrections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 136A.101, subdivision 10; 136A.126, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 136A.127, subdivision 6, by adding subdivisions; 136A.15, subdivision 6; 136A.16, subdivision 14; 136A.62, subdivision 3; 136A.645; 136A.646; 136A.65, by adding a subdivision; 141.25, subdivisions 7, 13, by adding a subdivision; 141.251, subdivision 2; 141.28,

subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, sections 136A.01, subdivision 2; 136A.101, subdivision 4; 136A.127, subdivisions 2, 4, 9; 299A.45, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senator Dille introduced-

S.F. No. 3012: A bill for an act relating to energy; authorizing temporary use of conservation investment program spending for emergency bill payment assistance.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Olson, M. and Koch introduced-

S.F. No. 3013: A bill for an act relating to tourism; amending council membership requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116U.25.

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

Senator Saltzman introduced-

S.F. No. 3014: A bill for an act relating to economic development; creating the Minnesota Science and Technology Authority; appropriating money; amending Laws 2009, chapter 78, article 1, section 3, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116W; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116J.657.

Referred to the Committee on Business, Industry and Jobs.

Senator Olseen introduced-

S.F. No. 3015: A bill for an act relating to property taxation; limiting the growth in market value for agricultural properties; establishing a onetime credit for certain agricultural properties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.11, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Veterans.

Senators Rummel, Clark and Anderson introduced-

S.F. No. 3016: A bill for an act relating to clean water and water supply planning; authorizing use of the clean water legacy account to support Metropolitan Council water supply planning activities; eliminating sunset date of the Metropolitan Area Water Supply Advisory Committee; appropriating money from constitutionally dedicated funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 473.1565, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 114D.45, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Senators Saltzman, Olseen, Prettner Solon and Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 3017: A bill for an act relating to taxation; requiring the Department of Revenue to

conduct a study on income tax reciprocity with Wisconsin; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Marty and Erickson Ropes introduced-

S.F. No. 3018: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for "clean money" campaigns funded without special interest money; expanding certain definitions; requiring certain campaign finance reports to be filed and published electronically; requiring notice of independent expenditures; requiring reports of excess spending by candidates who do not agree to limit spending; reducing certain contribution limits and spending limits; limiting independent expenditures by political parties on behalf of their own candidates as a condition of receiving a public subsidy; imposing campaign contribution and spending limits on political party caucuses as a condition of receiving a public subsidy; limiting multicandidate expenditures by political parties; increasing public subsidies for candidates who agree to lower contribution limits; increasing spending limits and public subsidies to respond to independent expenditures and excess spending by nonparticipating candidates; repealing the income tax checkoff for election campaigns; increasing the maximum political contribution refund from \$50 to \$100; imposing criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 10A.01, subdivisions 9, 18, 21; 10A.02, subdivision 11a; 10A.14, subdivision 2; 10A.20, subdivisions 2, 6b, by adding subdivisions; 10A.25, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, by adding subdivisions; 10A.257, subdivision 1; 10A.27, subdivisions 1, 11, by adding subdivisions; 10A.275, subdivision 1; 10A.28, subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.315; 10A.322; 200.02, by adding a subdivision; 290.06, subdivision 23; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 10A.25, subdivision 6; 10A.31, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 5, 5a, 6, 6a, 7, 10, 10a, 10b, 11; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 10A.31, subdivision 4.

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

Senators Kubly and Rosen introduced-

S.F. No. 3019: A bill for an act relating to human services; authorizing a rate increase for publicly owned nursing facilities; requiring a local share of nonfederal medical assistance costs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 256B.19, by adding a subdivision; 256B.441, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Marty introduced-

S.F. No. 3020: A bill for an act relating to campaign finance and public disclosure; increasing the public's right to know; requiring disclosure of economic interests of independent contractors and consultants; changing certain definitions; requiring disclosure of the costs of lobbying; requiring certain reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 10A.01, subdivisions 5, 21, 33; 10A.04, subdivisions 4, 6.

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

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Senator Dille introduced-

S.F. No. 3021: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; changing certain pesticide control provisions; authorizing waiver of a fee; providing for control of bovine tuberculosis; eliminating the native grasses and wildflower seed production and incentive program; authorizing ownership of agricultural land by certain nonprofit corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 18B.31, subdivision 5; 18B.36, subdivision 1; 18B.37, subdivision 4; 28A.082, subdivision 1; 35.244, subdivisions 1, 2; 500.24, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 18B.316, subdivision 10; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 17.231.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Scheid, Gerlach, Parry, Michel and Skogen introduced-

S.F. No. 3022: A bill for an act relating to insurance; providing former employees the option to bypass continuation coverage and obtain low-cost immediate conversion health insurance coverage from their former employer's insurer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62A.17, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Scheid, Saxhaug, Ortman and Murphy introduced-

S.F. No. 3023: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; reducing the limitation period for bringing certain actions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 541.05, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Erickson Ropes, Sheran, Prettner Solon, Doll and Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 3024: A bill for an act relating to health professions; requiring qualification for employment as a surgical technologist; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Marty moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 2382. The motion prevailed.

Senator Marty moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 2383. The motion prevailed.

Senator Olson, M. moved that the name of Senator Ingebrigtsen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2484. The motion prevailed.

Senator Latz moved that the name of Senator Senjem be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2613. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sparks moved that the name of Senator Sieben be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2759. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Rest be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2919. The motion prevailed.

Senator Doll moved that the name of Senator Clark be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2927. The motion prevailed.

Senator Skoe moved that S.F. No. 2656 be withdrawn from the Committee on Finance and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran moved that S.F. No. 2835 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that S.F. No. 2919 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 150: A Senate resolution congratulating Ben Anderson of North Mankato, Minnesota, for successfully completing requirements to achieve Eagle Scout rank, the highest advancement rank in Scouting.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Sheran introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 151: A Senate resolution congratulating Justin Westphal of Mankato, Minnesota, for successfully completing requirements to achieve Eagle Scout rank, the highest advancement rank in Scouting.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Prettner Solon introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 152: A Senate resolution recognizing the World Wildlife Fund's Earth Hour.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Fischbach introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 153: A Senate resolution honoring Nick Keller of Richmond for creating the Snowball Cancer Challenge.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Fischbach introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 154: A Senate resolution congratulating Grant Johannes of Cold Spring, Minnesota, for receiving the Eagle Award.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Scheid moved that S.F. No. 2590 be withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations and Oversight. The motion prevailed.

Remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, Senator Pogemiller moved that the Senate take up the Calendar. The motion prevailed.

CALENDAR

S.F. No. 2596: A bill for an act relating to health occupations; modifying a mental health substance abuse review provision; modifying licensure requirements for psychologists; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 148.90, subdivision 1; 148.909; 148.915; 148.916, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 62M.09, subdivision 3a.

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:

Anderson	Fischbach	Kubly	Ortman	Sieben
Bakk	Fobbe	Langseth	Pappas	Skoe
Berglin	Frederickson	Latz	Pariseau	Skogen
Betzold	Gerlach	Limmer	Pogemiller	Sparks
Bonoff	Gimse	Lourey	Prettner Solon	Stumpf
Carlson	Hann	Lynch	Rest	Tomassoni
Chaudhary	Higgins	Marty	Robling	Torres Ray
Clark	Ingebrigtsen	Michel	Rosen	Vandeveer
Dahle	Johnson	Moua	Rummel	Vickerman
Dibble	Jungbauer	Murphy	Saltzman	Wiger
Dille	Kelash	Olseen	Scheid	
Doll	Koch	Olson, G.	Senjem	
Erickson Ropes	Koering	Olson, M.	Sheran	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 2340: A bill for an act relating to veterans; authorizing issuance of the combat wounded vehicle license plate to a recipient of the purple heart medal who is continuing to serve in the military; expanding eligibility for Gold Star license plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 168.123, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 168.1253, 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 62 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Fischbach
Bakk	Fobbe
Berglin	Frederickson
Betzold	Gerlach
Bonoff	Gimse
Carlson	Hann
Chaudhary	Higgins
Clark	Ingebrigtsen
Dahle	Johnson
Dibble	Jungbauer
Dille	Kelash
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So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, Senator Pogemiller moved that the Senate take up the General Orders Calendar. The motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDERS

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

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

S.F. Nos. 568, 2512 and 2372, which the committee recommends to pass.

S.F. No. 2439, which the committee recommends to pass with the following amendment offered by Senator Saltzman:

Page 1, line 8, after the period, insert "For the purposes of this section, "live check" does not include a live check issued by a lender or financial institution, as defined in section 47.605, subdivision 1."

Page 1, line 12, delete everything after the period

Page 1, delete line 13

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

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

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Metzen, Parry and Saxhaug were excused from the Session of today. Senator Sheran was excused from the Session of today from 11:00 to 11:20 a.m. Senators Cohen and Foley were

excused from the Session of today from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Betzold moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 8, 2010. The motion prevailed.

Peter S. Wattson, Secretary of the Senate (Legislative)