TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, March 9, 2015

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Dennis Morreim.

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

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

Anderson	Dziedzic	Johnson	Pederson, J.	Skoe
Bakk	Eaton	Kent	Petersen, B.	Sparks
Benson	Eken	Kiffmeyer	Pratt	Thompson
Bonoff	Fischbach	Koenen	Reinert	Tomassoni
Brown	Franzen	Latz	Rest	Torres Ray
Carlson	Gazelka	Limmer	Rosen	Weber
Chamberlain	Goodwin	Lourey	Ruud	Westrom
Champion	Hall	Metzen	Saxhaug	Wiger
Clausen	Hann	Miller	Scalze	Wiklund
Cohen	Hawj	Nelson	Schmit	
Dahle	Hayden	Newman	Senjem	
Dahms	Hoffman	Osmek	Sheran	
Dibble	Jensen	Pappas	Sieben	

The President declared a quorum present.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House File, herewith transmitted: H.F. No. 2.

Patrick D. Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted March 5, 2015

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bill was read the first time.

H.F. No. 2: A bill for an act relating to education; clarifying conditions for teacher licensure and employment; amending alternative teacher licensure; providing for teacher licensure reciprocity with adjoining states; clarifying the license via portfolio option; clarifying the exemption for technical education instructors; clarifying decisions affecting teachers' unrequested leaves of absence and teaching assignments; prohibiting school administrators from placing students with ineffective teachers; clarifying teacher skills examination requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 122A.09, subdivision 4; 122A.18, subdivision 2; 122A.20, subdivision 1; 122A.21, subdivision 2; 122A.23; 122A.245, subdivisions 1, 3, 7; 122A.25; 122A.30; 122A.40, subdivisions 5, 8, 10, 11; 122A.41, subdivisions 2, 5, 14; 123A.75, subdivision 1; 179A.20, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 122A.40, subdivision 11.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

Senator Dibble from the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1074: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring an environmental impact statement prior to construction for certain rail projects connecting track.

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

Senator Dibble from the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety, to which was referred

S.F. No. 886: A resolution memorializing the Surface Transportation Board to require an environmental impact statement on construction of railroad connector track in Crystal, Minnesota, which permits an alternative routing of unit trains transporting oil products through the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

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

Senator Dibble from the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1251: A bill for an act relating to condemnation; limiting railroad condemnation power in Hennepin County for public safety reasons; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 383B.

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

Page 1, line 9, before "railroad corporation" insert "foreign or domestic"

Page 1, line 11, delete "owned by" and insert "of"

Page 1, line 13, delete "such" and insert "the"

Page 1, line 17, delete everything after "effective" and insert "retroactively from March 2, 2015, and applies to any eminent domain action to acquire any property interest of any of the named entities."

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

Senator Bonoff from the Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 856: A bill for an act relating to education; directing eligible public postsecondary institutions to give full credit to students for completed PSEO courses; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 124D.09, subdivision 12; 135A.101, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 3, delete lines 1 to 3

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

Senator Torres Ray from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 802: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying standards for accountancy examinations and peer reviews; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 326A.01, subdivisions 2, 12, 13a, 15, 16; 326A.02, subdivisions 3, 5; 326A.05, subdivisions 1, 3; 326A.08, subdivision 7; 326A.10.

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

Senator Torres Ray from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred

S.F. No. 753: A bill for an act relating to counties; providing a process for making certain county offices appointive in Crow Wing County.

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

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

S.F. No. 990: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for a digital student achievement backpack; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 127A.

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

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

S.F. No. 959: A bill for an act relating to education; making school year-long student teaching programs part of teacher preparation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 122A.09, subdivision 4.

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

Page 4, line 17, delete "the day following final enactment" and insert "for the 2016-2017 school year and later"

Page 4, after line 17, insert:

"Sec. 2. SCHOOL YEAR-LONG STUDENT TEACHER PROGRAM PILOT GRANTS; APPROPRIATION.

\$350,000 in fiscal year 2016 is appropriated from the general fund to the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees to award up to two pilot grants to system institutions with a Board of Teaching-approved teacher preparation program to provide a school year-long student teaching program, consistent with the student teaching program requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.09, subdivision 4, paragraph (d). The Board of Trustees must report to the kindergarten through grade 12 and higher education committees of the legislature by March 1, 2016, on the experiences of the grant recipients and the student teachers with the school year-long student teaching program.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2016."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "appropriating money;"

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

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

S.F. No. 995: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for concurrent enrollment; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 120B.13, subdivision 4; 124D.09, subdivisions 5, 8.

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

Page 1, line 9, delete "desegregated" and insert "disaggregated"

Page 3, after line 5, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10a. Concurrent enrollment participant survey. (a) Postsecondary institutions offering courses taught by the secondary teacher according to subdivision 10, must conduct a one-year and a five-year follow-up survey of the students that successfully completed the course. The survey results must be reported by August 1 of each year to the commissioners of the Office of Higher Education and the Department of Education. The commissioners must report by December 1 of each year the survey findings to the committees of the legislature having jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education and higher education.

- (b) The one-year survey, given to participants one year after successfully completing the course, must include at least the following:
 - (1) what are their future education plans, including the highest degree or certification planned;
- (2) whether they are enrolled or plan to enroll in a Minnesota postsecondary institution, either public or private;
 - (3) the number of credits accepted or denied by postsecondary institutions;
 - (4) the college or university attended;
 - (5) the participant's satisfaction level with the concurrent enrollment program;
- (6) the participant's demographics, such as gender, parent education level, qualification for free or reduced-price lunch in high school, Pell grant qualification and ethnicity; and
 - (7) a place for participants to provide comments.
- (c) The five-year survey, given to participants five years after successfully completing the course must include the following:
 - (1) the number of credits accepted or denied by postsecondary institutions;
- (2) whether the credits earned through concurrent enrollment courses reduced the cost of their postsecondary education;
- (3) details of their undergraduate experience, such as studying abroad, an enriched undergraduate academic experience, internship participation, either anticipated or completed, double major, double minor;
 - (4) degree completion or anticipated completion and academic area of the degree;
 - (5) the amount of time to degree completion;
 - (6) plans to attend graduate school;
 - (7) average college grade point average;
 - (8) rating of overall concurrent enrollment experience; and
 - (9) a place for participants to provide comments.
 - Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 10b. Concurrent Enrollment Advisory Board; membership; duties. (a) A postsecondary institution offering courses taught by the secondary teacher according to subdivision 10, must establish an advisory board. The purpose of the advisory board is to engage stakeholders in concurrent enrollment decisions. The duties of the board must include the following:
 - (1) providing strategic advice and input relating to concurrent enrollment issues;
 - (2) recommend and review proposals for concurrent enrollment course offerings;
- (3) serve as a coordinating entity between secondary education and postsecondary institutions; and

- (4) increase the understanding and collaboration among concurrent enrollment partners, stakeholders, the legislature, and the public.
- (b) The advisory board at each institution must consist of 16 members in addition to a concurrent enrollment faculty coordinator who shall serve as the chair and convene the meetings. Advisory board members must serve three-year staggered terms. Advisory board members, appointed by the postsecondary institution, must be balanced based on geography, school size, and include representatives from the following:
 - (1) postsecondary faculty members;
 - (2) school superintendents;
 - (3) high school principals;
 - (4) concurrent enrollment teachers;
 - (5) high school counselors;
 - (6) charter school administrators;
 - (7) school board members;
 - (8) secondary academic administrators;
 - (9) parents; and
 - (10) other local organizations.
 - Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.091, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Accreditation.** To establish a uniform standard by which concurrent enrollment courses and professional development activities may be measured, postsecondary institutions are encouraged to apply for accreditation by must adopt and implement the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership Partnership's program standards and required evidence for accreditation by the 2020-2021 school year and later."

Page 4, after line 7, insert:

"The commissioner shall give priority in awarding grants that are targeted to diverse ethnic, racial, and geographic groups in Minnesota. The commissioner must consider awarding grants to applicant organizations which demonstrate previous successful outreach experience to diverse groups. The commissioner shall determine the application process and the grant amounts."

Page 4, line 14, before "<u>Any</u>" insert "<u>The commissioner shall determine the application process</u> and the grant amounts."

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 Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1099: A bill for an act relating to environment; regulating chemicals of high concern in children's products; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 13.7411, subdivision 8; 116.9401; 116.9402; 116.9403; 116.9405; 116.9406; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing. Report adopted.

Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred

S.F. No. 945: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; creating fee exemption for certain utility licenses crossing public lands and waters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 84.415, subdivision 7.

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

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

S.F. No. 113: A resolution relating to ratification of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution; memorializing Congress to remove the deadline for ratification of the amendment by the states.

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

S.F. No. 205: A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; modifying provisions related to the campaign finance and public disclosure board; making changes to provisions related to enforcement, registration, fees, data, contributions, statements of economic interest, and various other provisions administered by the board; providing penalties; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 10A.02, subdivision 11; 10A.03, subdivision 3; 10A.08, subdivision 1; 10A.09, subdivisions 6, 10; 10A.14, subdivisions 1, 1a, 4; 10A.17, subdivision 4; 10A.20, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 10A.25, subdivision 10; 10A.27, subdivisions 1, 1; 10A.273, subdivision 1; 10A.322, subdivision 4; 10A.34, by adding a subdivision; 13.607, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 211B.04; 211B.12; 211B.15, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 10A.20, subdivision 1c; Minnesota Rules, part 4503.1500, subpart 2.

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

Page 5, line 19, strike "classified as" and strike "data" and strike ", as defined in" and delete the new language

Page 5, line 20, strike the old language and delete the new language

Page 5, line 21, delete the new language

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

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

S.F. No. 4: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying screening of child maltreatment reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.556, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 6a, 7, 10, 10e, 10j, 10m, 11c, by adding subdivisions.

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

Page 1, delete section 1

Page 2, delete section 2 and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.556, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Public policy.** (a) The legislature hereby declares that the public policy of this state is to protect children whose health or welfare may be jeopardized through physical abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse. While it is recognized that most parents want to keep their children safe, sometimes circumstances or conditions interfere with their ability to do so. When this occurs, families are best served by interventions that engage their protective capacities and address immediate safety concerns and ongoing risks of child maltreatment the health and safety of the children must be of paramount concern. Intervention and prevention efforts must address immediate concerns for child safety and the ongoing risk of abuse or neglect and should engage the protective capacities of families. In furtherance of this public policy, it is the intent of the legislature under this section to:

- (1) protect children and promote child safety;
- (2) strengthen the family and;
- $\underline{(3)}$ make the home, school, and community safe for children by promoting responsible child care in all settings; and to
- (4) provide, when necessary, a safe temporary or permanent home environment for physically or sexually abused or neglected children.
 - (b) In addition, it is the policy of this state to:
- (1) require the reporting of neglect, <u>or physical</u> or sexual abuse of children in the home, school, and community settings; to
- (2) provide for the voluntary reporting of abuse or neglect of children; to require a family assessment, when appropriate, as the preferred response to reports not alleging substantial child endangerment; to
- (3) require an investigation when the report alleges <u>sexual abuse or</u> substantial child endangerment;
- (4) provide a family assessment, if appropriate, when the report does not allege sexual abuse or substantial child endangerment; and to
- (5) provide protective, family support, and family preservation services when needed in appropriate cases.
 - Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.556, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. **Definitions.** As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings given them unless the specific content indicates otherwise:
- (a) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child maltreatment, and family strengths and needs that is applied to a child maltreatment report that does not allege <u>sexual abuse or</u> substantial child endangerment. Family assessment does not include a determination as to whether child maltreatment occurred but does determine the need for services to address the safety of family members and the risk of subsequent maltreatment.
- (b) "Investigation" means fact gathering related to the current safety of a child and the risk of subsequent maltreatment that determines whether child maltreatment occurred and whether child protective services are needed. An investigation must be used when reports involve sexual abuse or substantial child endangerment, and for reports of maltreatment in facilities required to be licensed under chapter 245A or 245D; under sections 144.50 to 144.58 and 241.021; in a school as defined in sections 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, and 13, and 124D.10; or in a nonlicensed personal care provider association as defined in section 256B.0625, subdivision 19a.
- (c) "Substantial child endangerment" means a person responsible for a child's care, and in the case of sexual abuse includes a person who has a significant relationship to the child as defined in section 609.341, or a person in a position of authority as defined in section 609.341, who by act or omission, commits or attempts to commit an act against a child under their care that constitutes any of the following:
 - (1) egregious harm as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 14;
 - (2) sexual abuse as defined in paragraph (d);
 - (3) abandonment under section 260C.301, subdivision 2;
- (4) (3) neglect as defined in paragraph (f), clause (2), that substantially endangers the child's physical or mental health, including a growth delay, which may be referred to as failure to thrive, that has been diagnosed by a physician and is due to parental neglect;
 - (5) (4) murder in the first, second, or third degree under section 609.185, 609.19, or 609.195;
 - (6) (5) manslaughter in the first or second degree under section 609.20 or 609.205;
 - (7) (6) assault in the first, second, or third degree under section 609.221, 609.222, or 609.223;
 - (8) (7) solicitation, inducement, and promotion of prostitution under section 609.322;
 - (9) (8) criminal sexual conduct under sections 609.342 to 609.3451;
 - (10) (9) solicitation of children to engage in sexual conduct under section 609.352;
- (11) (10) malicious punishment or neglect or endangerment of a child under section 609.377 or 609.378;
 - (11) use of a minor in sexual performance under section 617.246; or
- (13) (12) parental behavior, status, or condition which mandates that the county attorney file a termination of parental rights petition under section 260C.503, subdivision 2.
- (d) "Sexual abuse" means the subjection of a child by a person responsible for the child's care, by a person who has a significant relationship to the child, as defined in section 609.341, or by a

person in a position of authority, as defined in section 609.341, subdivision 10, to any act which constitutes a violation of section 609.342 (criminal sexual conduct in the first degree), 609.343 (criminal sexual conduct in the second degree), 609.344 (criminal sexual conduct in the third degree), 609.345 (criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree), or 609.3451 (criminal sexual conduct in the fifth degree). Sexual abuse also includes any act which involves a minor which constitutes a violation of prostitution offenses under sections 609.321 to 609.324 or 617.246. Sexual abuse includes threatened sexual abuse which includes the status of a parent or household member who has committed a violation which requires registration as an offender under section 243.166, subdivision 1b, paragraph (a) or (b), or required registration under section 243.166, subdivision 1b, paragraph (a) or (b).

- (e) "Person responsible for the child's care" means (1) an individual functioning within the family unit and having responsibilities for the care of the child such as a parent, guardian, or other person having similar care responsibilities, or (2) an individual functioning outside the family unit and having responsibilities for the care of the child such as a teacher, school administrator, other school employees or agents, or other lawful custodian of a child having either full-time or short-term care responsibilities including, but not limited to, day care, babysitting whether paid or unpaid, counseling, teaching, and coaching.
- (f) "Neglect" means the commission or omission of any of the acts specified under clauses (1) to (9), other than by accidental means:
- (1) failure by a person responsible for a child's care to supply a child with necessary food, clothing, shelter, health, medical, or other care required for the child's physical or mental health when reasonably able to do so;
- (2) failure to protect a child from conditions or actions that seriously endanger the child's physical or mental health when reasonably able to do so, including a growth delay, which may be referred to as a failure to thrive, that has been diagnosed by a physician and is due to parental neglect;
- (3) failure to provide for necessary supervision or child care arrangements appropriate for a child after considering factors as the child's age, mental ability, physical condition, length of absence, or environment, when the child is unable to care for the child's own basic needs or safety, or the basic needs or safety of another child in their care;
- (4) failure to ensure that the child is educated as defined in sections 120A.22 and 260C.163, subdivision 11, which does not include a parent's refusal to provide the parent's child with sympathomimetic medications, consistent with section 125A.091, subdivision 5;
- (5) nothing in this section shall be construed to mean that a child is neglected solely because the child's parent, guardian, or other person responsible for the child's care in good faith selects and depends upon spiritual means or prayer for treatment or care of disease or remedial care of the child in lieu of medical care; except that a parent, guardian, or caretaker, or a person mandated to report pursuant to subdivision 3, has a duty to report if a lack of medical care may cause serious danger to the child's health. This section does not impose upon persons, not otherwise legally responsible for providing a child with necessary food, clothing, shelter, education, or medical care, a duty to provide that care;
- (6) prenatal exposure to a controlled substance, as defined in section 253B.02, subdivision 2, used by the mother for a nonmedical purpose, as evidenced by withdrawal symptoms in the child at birth, results of a toxicology test performed on the mother at delivery or the child at birth, medical

effects or developmental delays during the child's first year of life that medically indicate prenatal exposure to a controlled substance, or the presence of a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder;

- (7) "medical neglect" as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 6, clause (5);
- (8) chronic and severe use of alcohol or a controlled substance by a parent or person responsible for the care of the child that adversely affects the child's basic needs and safety; or
- (9) emotional harm from a pattern of behavior which contributes to impaired emotional functioning of the child which may be demonstrated by a substantial and observable effect in the child's behavior, emotional response, or cognition that is not within the normal range for the child's age and stage of development, with due regard to the child's culture.
- (g) "Physical abuse" means any physical injury, mental injury, or threatened injury, inflicted by a person responsible for the child's care on a child other than by accidental means, or any physical or mental injury that cannot reasonably be explained by the child's history of injuries, or any aversive or deprivation procedures, or regulated interventions, that have not been authorized under section 125A.0942 or 245.825.

Abuse does not include reasonable and moderate physical discipline of a child administered by a parent or legal guardian which does not result in an injury. Abuse does not include the use of reasonable force by a teacher, principal, or school employee as allowed by section 121A.582. Actions which are not reasonable and moderate include, but are not limited to, any of the following that are done in anger or without regard to the safety of the child:

- (1) throwing, kicking, burning, biting, or cutting a child;
- (2) striking a child with a closed fist;
- (3) shaking a child under age three;
- (4) striking or other actions which result in any nonaccidental injury to a child under 18 months of age;
 - (5) unreasonable interference with a child's breathing;
 - (6) threatening a child with a weapon, as defined in section 609.02, subdivision 6;
 - (7) striking a child under age one four on the face or head;
- (8) purposely giving a child poison, alcohol, or dangerous, harmful, or controlled substances which were not prescribed for the child by a practitioner, in order to control or punish the child; or other substances that substantially affect the child's behavior, motor coordination, or judgment or that results in sickness or internal injury, or subjects the child to medical procedures that would be unnecessary if the child were not exposed to the substances;
- (9) unreasonable physical confinement or restraint not permitted under section 609.379, including but not limited to tying, caging, or chaining; or
- (10) in a school facility or school zone, an act by a person responsible for the child's care that is a violation under section 121A.58.
- (h) "Report" means any report communication received by the local welfare agency, police department, county sheriff, or agency responsible for assessing or investigating maltreatment child

protection pursuant to this section that describes neglect or physical or sexual abuse of a child and contains sufficient content to identify the child and any person believed to be responsible for the neglect or abuse, if known.

- (i) "Facility" means:
- (1) a licensed or unlicensed day care facility, residential facility, agency, hospital, sanitarium, or other facility or institution required to be licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.58, 241.021, or 245A.01 to 245A.16, or chapter 245D;
 - (2) a school as defined in sections 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, and 13; and 124D.10; or
- (3) a nonlicensed personal care provider organization as defined in section 256B.0625, subdivision 19a.
 - (j) "Operator" means an operator or agency as defined in section 245A.02.
 - (k) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.
- (l) "Practice of social services," for the purposes of subdivision 3, includes but is not limited to employee assistance counseling and the provision of guardian ad litem and parenting time expeditor services.
- (m) "Mental injury" means an injury to the psychological capacity or emotional stability of a child as evidenced by an observable or substantial impairment in the child's ability to function within a normal range of performance and behavior with due regard to the child's culture.
- (n) "Threatened injury" means a statement, overt act, condition, or status that represents a substantial risk of physical or sexual abuse or mental injury. Threatened injury includes, but is not limited to, exposing a child to a person responsible for the child's care, as defined in paragraph (e), clause (1), who has:
- (1) subjected a child to, or failed to protect a child from, an overt act or condition that constitutes egregious harm, as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 14, or a similar law of another jurisdiction;
- (2) been found to be palpably unfit under section 260C.301, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), clause (4), or a similar law of another jurisdiction;
- (3) committed an act that has resulted in an involuntary termination of parental rights under section 260C.301, or a similar law of another jurisdiction; or
- (4) committed an act that has resulted in the involuntary transfer of permanent legal and physical custody of a child to a relative under Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 260C.201, subdivision 11, paragraph (d), clause (1), section 260C.515, subdivision 4, or a similar law of another jurisdiction.

A child is the subject of a report of threatened injury when the responsible social services agency receives birth match data under paragraph (o) from the Department of Human Services.

(o) Upon receiving data under section 144.225, subdivision 2b, contained in a birth record or recognition of parentage identifying a child who is subject to threatened injury under paragraph (n), the Department of Human Services shall send the data to the responsible social services agency. The data is known as "birth match" data. Unless the responsible social services agency has already begun an investigation or assessment of the report due to the birth of the child or execution of the

recognition of parentage and the parent's previous history with child protection, the agency shall accept the birth match data as a report under this section. The agency may use either a family assessment or investigation to determine whether the child is safe. All of the provisions of this section apply. If the child is determined to be safe, the agency shall consult with the county attorney to determine the appropriateness of filing a petition alleging the child is in need of protection or services under section 260C.007, subdivision 6, clause (16), in order to deliver needed services. If the child is determined not to be safe, the agency and the county attorney shall take appropriate action as required under section 260C.503, subdivision 2.

- (p) Persons who conduct assessments or investigations under this section shall take into account accepted child-rearing practices of the culture in which a child participates and accepted teacher discipline practices, which are not injurious to the child's health, welfare, and safety.
- (q) "Accidental" means a sudden, not reasonably foreseeable, and unexpected occurrence or event which:
 - (1) is not likely to occur and could not have been prevented by exercise of due care; and
- (2) if occurring while a child is receiving services from a facility, happens when the facility and the employee or person providing services in the facility are in compliance with the laws and rules relevant to the occurrence or event.
 - (r) "Nonmaltreatment mistake" means:
- (1) at the time of the incident, the individual was performing duties identified in the center's child care program plan required under Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0045;
- (2) the individual has not been determined responsible for a similar incident that resulted in a finding of maltreatment for at least seven years;
- (3) the individual has not been determined to have committed a similar nonmaltreatment mistake under this paragraph for at least four years;
- (4) any injury to a child resulting from the incident, if treated, is treated only with remedies that are available over the counter, whether ordered by a medical professional or not; and
- (5) except for the period when the incident occurred, the facility and the individual providing services were both in compliance with all licensing requirements relevant to the incident.

This definition only applies to child care centers licensed under Minnesota Rules, chapter 9503. If clauses (1) to (5) apply, rather than making a determination of substantiated maltreatment by the individual, the commissioner of human services shall determine that a nonmaltreatment mistake was made by the individual."

Page 9, line 16, after "to" insert "all" and delete everything after "section" and insert a period

Page 9, delete line 17

Page 10, line 5, strike "accepted for an"

Page 10, line 6, strike "assessment or investigation" and insert "to be screened in or out"

Page 10, lines 7 to 12, delete the new language and insert "When determining whether a report will be screened in or out, the agency receiving the report must consider, when relevant, all previous

history, including reports that were screened out. The agency may communicate with treating professionals and individuals specified under subdivision 10, paragraph (i), clause (3), item (iii)."

Page 11, line 1, delete "not accepted for assessment or investigation" and insert "that are not screened in"

Page 11, line 22, after "shall" insert ", at a minimum,"

Page 11, line 28, after the period, insert "The guidelines may provide additional protections for children but must not limit reports that are screened in or provide additional limits on consideration of reports that were screened out in making screening determinations."

Page 11, delete lines 32 to 34

Page 12, delete lines 1 to 7 and insert "The police department or the county sheriff shall immediately notify the local welfare agency or agency responsible for child protection reports under this section orally and in writing when a report is received. The local welfare agency or agency responsible for child protection reports shall immediately notify the local police department or the county sheriff orally and in writing when a report is received. The county sheriff and the head of every local welfare agency, agency responsible for child protection reports, and police department shall each designate a person within their agency, department, or office who is responsible for ensuring that the notification duties of this paragraph are carried out."

Page 12, line 11, after "involving" insert "sexual abuse or"

Page 12, line 14, before "substantial" insert "sexual abuse or"

Page 12, line 16, before "substantial" insert "sexual abuse or"

Page 13, line 3, before the period, insert "or assessment"

Page 17, line 9, before "substantial" insert "sexual abuse or"

Page 20, line 10, before "A" insert "(a)"

Page 20, after line 25, insert:

"(b) A reporter who receives private data on individuals under this subdivision must treat the data according to that classification, regardless of whether the reporter is an employee of a government entity. The remedies and penalties under sections 13.08 and 13.09 apply if a reporter releases data in violation of this section or other law."

Page 21, line 4, after "not" insert "accept or" and delete "or"

Page 21, line 6, delete the period and insert "; or"

Page 21, after line 6, insert:

"(3) the family is not cooperating with an investigation.

If the agency responsible for child protection under this section is an Indian tribe social service agency, the agency shall consult with the tribal authority that would be responsible for filing a petition."

Page 21, line 14, delete the new language and insert "reports that were not screened in,"

- Page 21, line 15, delete "or investigation,"
- Page 22, line 27, delete "accepted for assessment or investigation" and insert "screened in"
- Page 22, line 28, delete "accepted for investigation or assessment" and insert "screened in"

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

Senator Skoe from the Committee on Taxes, to which was referred the following appointment:

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE COMMISSIONER Cynthia Bauerly

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

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

Senator Skoe from the Committee on Taxes, to which was referred the following appointment:

TAX COURT JUDGE Bradford S. Delapena

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

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

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 856 and 205 were read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senator Hawj introduced-

S.F. No. 1448: A bill for an act relating to environment; establishing Minnesota Environmental Contamination Awareness Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 115C.06, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115B.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senators Hall, Brown, Kiffmeyer, Anderson and Nienow introduced-

S.F. No. 1449: A bill for an act relating to education; clarifying parental review of curriculum; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 120B.20.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Carlson introduced-

S.F. No. 1450: A bill for an act relating to state government; providing that certain administrative hearings be paid for from appropriations to the Office of Administrative Hearings; canceling and appropriating money to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 211B.37.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Sheran introduced-

S.F. No. 1451: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; modifying the local sales tax authorities for the cities of Mankato and North Mankato; amending Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 8, section 27, subdivisions 3, as amended, 4, as amended, 5, 6; Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 7, section 20.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Weber introduced-

S.F. No. 1452: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for improvements to public infrastructure in the city of Currie; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Gazelka introduced-

S.F. No. 1453: A bill for an act relating to commerce; providing an exemption from bullion coin dealer regulation for dealers in certain coins; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 80G.01, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Saxhaug introduced-

S.F. No. 1454: A bill for an act relating to state lands; authorizing public sale of certain tax-forfeited land that borders public water.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senator Saxhaug introduced-

S.F. No. 1455: A bill for an act relating to veterans; repealing commissioner of veterans affairs guardianship program; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 196.051.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Rest, Bakk, Senjem, Hawj and Dahle introduced-

S.F. No. 1456: A bill for an act relating to historical societies; creating employment and contracting provisions for historic conservation corps; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 177.43, subdivision 2; 268.035, subdivision 20; 471.59, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 138.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 1457: A bill for an act relating to human services; eliminating authority of the commissioner of human services to transfer certain funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256.478.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 1458: A bill for an act relating to human services; discontinuing the child support application fee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 518A.51; 518A.53, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 1459: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; making policy and technical changes to various agriculture related provisions, including provisions related to loans, pesticides, fertilizer, soil amendment, plant amendment, registrations, agricultural chemicals, seeds, grain storage, and food; modifying fees; repealing agricultural growth, research, and innovation program sunset; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 17.03, subdivision 11a; 17.117, subdivision 11; 18B.37, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 18B.38, subdivision 1; 18C.235, subdivision 1; 18C.411, by adding a subdivision; 18D.201, subdivision 6; 21.81, by adding subdivisions; 21.82, subdivisions 2, 4; 21.85, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 21.87; 21.89, subdivision 2; 21.891, subdivisions 2, 5; 34A.11; 232.22, subdivision 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 18C.235, subdivision 2; 41A.12, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senators Tomassoni, Saxhaug and Bakk introduced-

S.F. No. 1460: A bill for an act relating to state lands; exempting university land from the prohibition on selling lands bordering public waters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 92.45.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senators Kent and Dibble introduced-

S.F. No. 1461: A bill for an act relating to transportation; data practices; classifying data pertaining to certain construction project schedules; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 13.72, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senator Eken introduced-

S.F. No. 1462: A bill for an act relating to occupational safety; modifying the Safe Patient Handling Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 182.6552, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senators Kent, Housley, Dibble, Hawj and Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 1463: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Gateway Corridor Transitway; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Kent, Housley, Dibble, Hawj and Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 1464: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Gateway Corridor Transitway.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Bakk introduced-

S.F. No. 1465: A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing operating payment rates for certain nursing facilities in Koochiching County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Rest introduced-

S.F. No. 1466: A bill for an act relating to economic development; Department of Employment and Economic Development; making policy changes; modifying data sharing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 116J.035, subdivision 1a; 171.12, subdivision 7; 268.19, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senators Johnson and Goodwin introduced-

S.F. No. 1467: A bill for an act relating to education finance; providing full funding for the college concurrent enrollment program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 124D.091; 126C.20.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Goodwin, Kent, Eaton and Hawj introduced-

S.F. No. 1468: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for early voting; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 201.022, subdivision 1; 203B.001; 203B.01, by adding a subdivision; 203B.03, subdivision 1; 203B.05, subdivision 1; 203B.081; 203B.085; 203B.121, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, by adding a subdivision; 204B.28, subdivision 2; 206.82, subdivision 1; 206.83; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 203B.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senators Goodwin, Kent, Eaton and Hawj introduced-

S.F. No. 1469: A bill for an act relating to health; requiring the commissioner of health to adopt specific rules relating to the incidence of cancer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 144.672, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senator Wiklund introduced-

S.F. No. 1470: A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing funding for the Minnesota reading corps program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Eken introduced-

S.F. No. 1471: A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to provisions governing receivership of nursing homes or certified boarding care homes; establishing a unified home care bill of rights; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 144A.15; 256B.0641, subdivision 3; 256B.495, subdivisions 1, 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 144A.14; 256B.495, subdivisions 1a, 2, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Franzen, Goodwin, Dziedzic, Limmer and Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 1472: A bill for an act relating to data practices; allowing safe at home program participants to submit notices affecting property records filed before the notice; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 13.045, subdivision 4a.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Carlson, Dibble, Westrom, Dziedzic and Pederson, J. introduced-

S.F. No. 1473: A bill for an act relating to data practices; authorizing certain data on disability certificate holders to be released for purposes of enforcing parking restrictions in cities and towns; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 13.69, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1474: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying licensing requirements for body piercing technicians; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 146B.01, subdivisions 6, 28, by adding a subdivision; 146B.03, subdivisions 4, 6, by adding subdivisions; 146B.07, subdivisions 1, 2.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senator Thompson introduced-

S.F. No. 1475: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating the redemption period in pawn transactions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 325J.06.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Franzen and Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 1476: A bill for an act relating to the secretary of state; regulating business fees and filings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 272.484; 303.19; 304A.301, subdivisions 1, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 336A.09, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Pederson, J. and Fischbach introduced-

S.F. No. 1477: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a road of regional significance in Benton County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Dziedzic, Latz and Goodwin introduced-

S.F. No. 1478: A bill for an act relating to corrections; repealing the old Interstate Compact for Juveniles; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 260.51; 260.53.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Saxhaug, Bakk, Skoe, Gazelka and Ruud introduced-

S.F. No. 1479: A bill for an act relating taxation; property; modifying the state general levy base amount; modifying seasonal residential recreational tax capacity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 275.025, subdivision 1, 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 275.025, subdivision 4

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Dziedzic, Hayden, Koenen and Senjem introduced-

S.F. No. 1480: A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to Ka Joog for a job skills and workforce development pilot program; appropriating money for grants to expand Takeoff 4-H STEAM for Somali youth.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Nelson introduced-

S.F. No. 1481: A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying certain career and technical education funding provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.4531, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Nelson introduced-

S.F. No. 1482: A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying certain general education revenue provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 126C.10, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Kiffmeyer introduced-

S.F. No. 1483: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying certain high school league provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 128C.02, subdivision 5; 128C.07, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Clausen, Carlson, Senjem and Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1484: A bill for an act relating to human services; directing the commissioner of human services to seek federal waivers and approvals for a residential campus program for individuals with autism spectrum disorder; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Clausen, Carlson, Senjem and Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1485: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying foster care licensing for individuals with autism; amending Laws 2012, chapter 247, article 5, section 7.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Clausen, Osmek, Carlson, Pratt and Hann introduced-

S.F. No. 1486: A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying the composition of the Transportation Advisory Board of the Metropolitan Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 473.146, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Carlson, Bonoff, Pratt, Osmek and Clausen introduced-

S.F. No. 1487: A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating funds for a suburban connections demonstration project.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senators Miller; Pederson, J.; Bonoff; Reinert and Pratt introduced-

S.F. No. 1488: A bill for an act relating to higher education; establishing the MnSCU campus autonomy act; clarifying and prescribing the roles of campus authority and system authority in the MnSCU system; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 136F.06, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136F.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development.

Senators Kent, Marty, Ruud, Pappas and Eken introduced-

S.F. No. 1489: A bill for an act relating to sexual assault; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 611A.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Franzen, Dibble, Dziedzic, Champion and Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1490: A bill for an act relating to marriage; authorizing certain mayors to perform civil marriages; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 517.04.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Champion, Rosen, Cohen, Schmit and Ingebrigtsen introduced-

S.F. No. 1491: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the historic Hennepin Center for the Arts; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Hoffman and Johnson introduced-

S.F. No. 1492: A bill for an act relating to taxation; tax increment financing; modifying provisions for the city of Coon Rapids.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Hayden, Hoffman, Marty, Eken and Senjem introduced-

S.F. No. 1493: A bill for an act relating to human services; repealing the TEFRA monetary parental contribution; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 13.46, subdivision 2; 246.511; 252.27, subdivisions 1, 2a, 3; 270B.14, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 252.27, subdivisions 2, 2b, 4a, 5, 6.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Eaton, Dziedzic and Koenen introduced-

S.F. No. 1494: A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; expanding the dependent care credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 290.067, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 290.067, subdivisions 2, 2b.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 1495: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for policy for early childhood and kindergarten through grade 12 education, including general education, education excellence, special education, facilities and technology, early childhood education, libraries, and state agencies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 16A.103, subdivision 1c; 120B.022, subdivisions 1, 1b; 120B.024, subdivision 2; 120B.12, subdivision 2; 120B.125; 120B.30, subdivisions 1, 1a, 3, 4, by adding subdivisions; 120B.31, subdivision 2; 122A.31, subdivisions 1, 2; 122A.414, subdivision 3; 122A.60, subdivision 4; 123A.24, subdivision 1; 123B.77, subdivision 3; 123B.88, subdivision 1; 124D.09, subdivisions 5a, 9; 124D.10, subdivisions 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 14, by adding a subdivision; 124D.128, subdivision 1; 124D.165, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, by adding subdivisions; 124D.72; 124D.73, subdivisions 3, 4; 124D.74, subdivisions 1, 3, 6; 124D.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 9; 124D.76; 124D.78; 124D.79, subdivisions 1, 2; 124D.791, subdivision 4; 125A.023, subdivisions 3, 4; 125A.027; 125A.21; 125A.28; 125A.63, subdivisions 4, 5; 125A.75, subdivision 9; 125A.76, subdivisions 1, 2c; 125B.26, subdivision 2; 126C.10, subdivision 13a; 126C.13, subdivisions 3a, 4; 126C.17, subdivisions 1, 2; 126C.48, subdivision 8; 127A.05, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; 127A.49, subdivision 1; 127A.70, subdivision 1; 134.20, subdivision 2; Laws 2014, chapter 312, article 16, section 15; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 120B.128; 120B.35, subdivision 5; 125A.63, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 126C.12, subdivision 6; 126C.41, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Sparks introduced-

S.F. No. 1496: A bill for an act relating to unemployment insurance; adopting recommendations of the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council; making federal conformity, policy, and

technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 268.035, subdivisions 6, 21b, 26, 30; 268.051, subdivision 7; 268.07, subdivisions 2, 3b; 268.085, subdivisions 1, 2; 268.095, subdivisions 1, 10; 268.105, subdivisions 3, 7; 268.136, subdivision 1; 268.188; 268.194, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 268.042, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Torres Ray introduced-

S.F. No. 1497: A bill for an act relating to employment; occupational health and safety; requiring that records be kept of the ethnicity of certain injured, sick, or deceased employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 182.663, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senators Wiger and Clausen introduced-

S.F. No. 1498: A bill for an act relating to education; allowing districts to compensate effective and highly effective teachers teaching in hard-to-staff settings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 122A.414, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Dahle and Pratt introduced-

S.F. No. 1499: A bill for an act relating to local government; extending the time period to file certificate of approval of a special law for the Cedar Lake area water and sanitary sewer district.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Torres Ray and Pederson, J. introduced-

S.F. No. 1500: A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring county auditors to post sample ballots on the county's Web site; requiring publication of notice on where sample ballots can be viewed; removing requirement to publish sample ballot; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 204D.16.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senators Torres Ray and Eaton introduced-

S.F. No. 1501: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for family literacy services and a high school community action program.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Clausen introduced-

S.F. No. 1502: A bill for an act relating to education; directing the Board of Teaching to adopt standards for an endorsement enabling licensed high school teachers to provide dual enrollment

instruction at a high school; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 122A.09, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Clausen, Torres Ray and Saxhaug introduced-

S.F. No. 1503: A bill for an act relating to financing and operations of state government; appropriating money for Minnesota history preservation and access activities.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Marty introduced-

S.F. No. 1504: A bill for an act relating to health; changing the expiration date for e-Health Advisory Committee, the Trauma Advisory Council, and the Maternal and Child Health Advisory Task Force; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 62J.495, subdivision 2; 144.608, subdivision 2; 145.8811, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senator Dahle introduced-

S.F. No. 1505: A bill for an act relating to education; implementing portions of the 2013 legislative auditor's report on special education.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Dahle introduced-

S.F. No. 1506: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying procedures for creation, annexation, detachment, and dissolution of sanitary districts; modifying filing and hearing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 442A.04, subdivisions 2, 3, 8, 9; 442A.05, subdivisions 2, 4, 9, 10; 442A.06, subdivisions 2, 4, 9, 10; 442A.07, subdivisions 2, 3, 8, 9; 442A.08; 442A.13, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Skoe introduced-

S.F. No. 1507: A bill for an act relating to criminal justice; appropriating money for a law enforcement-related grant to the White Earth Band.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Bonoff and Nienow introduced-

S.F. No. 1508: A bill for an act relating to education; allowing charter schools to give an enrollment preference to children who are eligible for a free or reduced-price lunch; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 124D.10, subdivision 9.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Osmek introduced-

S.F. No. 1509: A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing policies to address motorcycle profiling; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Dziedzic, Ortman and Koenen introduced-

S.F. No. 1510: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; modifying exemptions for durable medical equipment and supplies; providing for refunds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 297A.67, subdivision 7a; Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 8, sections 22, as amended; 23, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Benson, Hall, Anderson and Thompson introduced-

S.F. No. 1511: A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring exclusive representative for personal care attendants to notify members of certain terms; requiring exclusive representative to allow personal care attendants to terminate membership with 30-day notice; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 179A.52, by adding subdivisions.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Hoffman, Sparks, Metzen, Wiger and Limmer introduced-

S.F. No. 1512: A bill for an act relating to civil actions; regulating interest on verdicts, awards, and judgments; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 549.09, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 549.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Hann, Kiffmeyer and Nienow introduced-

S.F. No. 1513: A bill for an act relating to education; dissolving Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis; providing for the transition and operation of successor school districts; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 128D.01; 128D.02; 128D.03; 128D.04; 128D.05; 128D.06; 128D.07; 128D.08, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 128D.09; 128D.10; 128D.11; 128D.12; 128D.13; 128D.14; 128D.15; 128D.16; 128D.17.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Carlson, Kent and Senjem introduced-

S.F. No. 1514: A bill for an act relating to public safety; motor vehicles; clarifying filing fees charged by deputy registrars; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 168.33, subdivision 7; 168A.07, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senators Marty, Skoe, Saxhaug, Rosen and Scalze introduced-

S.F. No. 1515: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying Wetland Conservation Act; requiring rulemaking; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 103B.101, by adding a subdivision; 103B.3355; 103F.612, subdivision 2; 103G.005, by adding a subdivision; 103G.222, subdivisions 1, 3; 103G.2242, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 14; 103G.2251.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senators Hoffman, Ingebrigtsen, Dibble and Hawj introduced-

S.F. No. 1516: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; providing rebates for natural gas vehicles and fueling stations; establishing a rebate program with the Department of Commerce; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senators Carlson, Hoffman, Marty and Senjem introduced-

S.F. No. 1517: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to seek an amendment to the budget methodology for consumer-directed community supports.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Ruud, Saxhaug, Hoffman, Weber and Wiger introduced-

S.F. No. 1518: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing for condemnation of certain school trust lands; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 92.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senator Fischbach introduced-

S.F. No. 1519: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a road of regional significance in Sartell; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Benson, Nienow, Newman and Dahms introduced-

S.F. No. 1520: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; providing that wine produced by a farm winery is an agricultural product for property tax classification purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 273.13, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Sheran, Nelson, Benson and Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 1521: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying requirements for the license of health professionals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 214.077; 214.10, subdivisions 2, 2a; 214.32, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

Senators Dibble and Schmit introduced-

S.F. No. 1522: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; prohibiting certain Internet sales of restricted use pesticides; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 18B.30.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Lourey introduced-

S.F. No. 1523: A bill for an act relating to commerce; regulating health coverages; modifying coverages; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 62A.3075; 62A.65, subdivision 3; 62L.05, subdivision 9; 62L.08, by adding a subdivision; 62Q.18; 62Q.73, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Carlson introduced-

S.F. No. 1524: A bill for an act relating to human services; appropriating money to the Minnesota State Council on Disability.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Champion introduced-

S.F. No. 1525: A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying various provisions impacting or enforced by the Department of Transportation; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 160.20, subdivision 4; 160.266, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding subdivisions; 161.321, subdivisions 2a, 2c, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senators Jensen and Sheran introduced-

S.F. No. 1526: A bill for an act relating to insurance; specifying geographical considerations in regard to implementing and adjusting the Affordable Care Act in this state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 62K.10, subdivisions 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Hoffman, Brown, Benson and Pappas introduced-

S.F. No. 1527: A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing payment rates for certain services provided by a hospital that specializes in the treatment of cerebral palsy and other conditions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 256B.76, subdivision 1; 256B.766; 256B.767.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1528: A bill for an act relating to education finance; enhancing PSEO payments to postsecondary institutions to include textbook and equipment costs; creating a greater financial incentive for school districts to encourage student participation in the PSEO program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 124D.09, subdivisions 13, 20; 126C.05, subdivision 13.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1529: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for restoration of the Champlin Mill Pond; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Hoffman, Metzen, Lourey and Sheran introduced-

S.F. No. 1530: A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring health plan companies to offer enrollees a choice in pharmacy providers; requiring coverage for health care services provided by licensed pharmacists; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1531: A bill for an act relating to state government; regulating agency rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 3.842, subdivision 4a; 14.05, subdivisions 1, 6, by adding subdivisions; 14.07, subdivision 4; 14.08; 14.101, subdivision 1; 14.116; 14.125; 14.126, subdivision 2; 14.128, subdivision 3; 14.131; 14.14, subdivisions 1a, 2a; 14.16, subdivision 3; 14.22; 14.23; 14.26; 14.365; 14.388, subdivision 1; 14.389; 14.51; 115.44, subdivision 7; 116.07, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 14.05, subdivision 5; 14.3895.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1532: A bill for an act relating to administrative hearings; requiring transfer of costs incurred for certain hearings; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1533: A bill for an act relating to workforce development; modifying the extended employment program for persons with disabilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 268A.01, subdivisions 6, 10, 13, by adding subdivisions; 268A.03; 268A.06; 268A.07; 268A.085; 268A.15, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 268A.01, subdivisions 9, 14; 268A.15, subdivisions 1a, 3a, 9.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1534: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; creating conservation easement stewardship accounts; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 84; 103B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 84.68.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senator Bonoff introduced-

S.F. No. 1535: A bill for an act relating to higher education; making various technical and policy changes to provisions related to higher education, including provisions related to grants, loans, registration, and various higher education programs; prohibiting certain institutions from limiting access to a student's transcript; providing procedures to terminate a postsecondary institution's eligibility for state student aid programs; modifying terms of SELF loan; modernizing, streamlining, and clarifying various statutes; eliminating unnecessary or redundant laws and rules; deleting obsolete language and unnecessary verbiage; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 13.32, subdivision 6; 16C.075; 136A.01, by adding a subdivision; 136A.031, subdivision 4; 136A.0411; 136A.101, subdivision 8; 136A.103; 136A.125, subdivisions 4, 4b; 136A.1313; 136A.15, subdivision 9; 136A.1701, subdivision 4; 136A.61; 136A.62, subdivision 3; 136A.63, subdivision 2; 136A.64, subdivision 1; 136A.65, subdivisions 4, 7; 136A.657, subdivisions 1, 3, by adding a subdivision; 136A.67; 136A.861, subdivision 1; 136A.87; 136G.05, subdivision 7; 141.21, subdivisions 5, 6a, 9; 141.25; 141.251, subdivision 2; 141.255; 141.26; 141.265; 141.271, subdivisions 1a, 1b, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14; 141.28; 141.29; 141.30; 141.32; 141.35; 197.75, subdivision 1; 261.23; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 135A.25, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; 136A.127, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 9b, 10, 10a, 11, 14; 158.01; 158.02; 158.03; 158.04; 158.05; 158.06; 158.07; 158.08; 158.09; 158.091; 158.10; 158.11; 158.12; Minnesota Rules, parts 4830.0120; 4830.0130; 4830.0140; 4830.0150; 4830.0160; 4830.0170; 4830.0180; 4830.0190; 4830.0195; 4830.7500, subparts 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development.

Senators Bonoff, Champion and Hayden introduced-

S.F. No. 1536: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for a pilot program to Girls in Action.

Referred to the Committee on Finance

Senator Marty introduced-

S.F. No. 1537: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing for riparian buffers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103F.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senators Koenen, Schmit, Weber and Dahms introduced-

S.F. No. 1538: A bill for an act relating to housing finance; appropriating money for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Pappas introduced-

S.F. No. 1539: A bill for an act relating to civil law; requiring certificates of dissolution; adding requirements to the certificate of dissolution form; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 518 148

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Pappas introduced-

S.F. No. 1540: A bill for an act relating to insurance; expanding health insurance coverage for hearing aids; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 62Q.675.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senators Bonoff and Franzen introduced-

S.F. No. 1541: A bill for an act relating to education; reporting school and district data on foreign exchange and study abroad programs; encouraging foreign exchange and study abroad programs and policies; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 5.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Hoffman introduced-

S.F. No. 1542: A bill for an act relating to energy; providing for the Resilient Schools Act; establishing a statewide energy conservation goal for public schools; requiring reports; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123B.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senators Brown, Kiffmeyer, Ruud, Thompson and Westrom introduced-

S.F. No. 1543: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for participation in athletic teams; establishing the Student Physical Privacy Act; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 121A.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Nienow introduced-

S.F. No. 1544: A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing issuance of a criminal protection order as part of a sentence; creating new criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 609.10, subdivision 1; 609.125, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Nienow introduced-

S.F. No. 1545: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring petition for restoration of ability to possess firearms by felon be made in court of conviction; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.165, subdivision 1d.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Hoffman, Dahle and Marty introduced-

S.F. No. 1546: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; establishing a perennial feedstock program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 41A.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development.

Senator Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 1547: A bill for an act relating to public safety; applying license plate impoundment to all DWI offenders and making other changes to the plate impoundment law; providing that DWI offenders are not required to take a specified examination as a condition of driver's license reinstatement; providing that certain participants in the DWI ignition interlock program do not have to obtain a limited driver's license as a condition of participating; allowing DWI offenders to pay their driver's license reinstatement fees and surcharges in installments; specifying which DWI ignition interlock program participants must present a noncancelable insurance certificate as a prerequisite to participating in the program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 169A.60, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13; 171.29, subdivisions 1, 2; 171.30, subdivision 1; 171.306, subdivisions 4, 6.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senator Latz introduced-

S.F. No. 1548: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring ignition interlock for DWI repeat offenders, DWI offenders with high alcohol concentration, and criminal vehicular homicide offenders; amending licensing provisions for DWI offenders; amending ignition interlock requirements; authorizing expedited rulemaking; increasing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 169A.55, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 171.29, subdivision 1; 171.30, subdivisions 1, 2a, 5; 171.306, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, 6, 8.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Schmit introduced-

S.F. No. 1549: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; establishing a pilot program in southeastern Minnesota for issuing additional deer licenses to landowners with deer damage; requiring a Web site for connecting landowners suffering deer damage with deer hunters.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senator Schmit introduced-

S.F. No. 1550: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; establishing the Mississippi Blufflands Trail; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 85.015, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.

Senator Sieben introduced-

S.F. No. 1551: A bill for an act relating to nonprofit organizations; establishing a nonprofit capacity building grant program; requiring the attorney general to post certain tax records filed by charitable organizations; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 309.54, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116J.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Metzen, Limmer and Koenen introduced-

S.F. No. 1552: A bill for an act relating to transportation; commercially navigable waters; creating an upriver business grant program for businesses affected by the closure of the Upper St. Anthony Falls Lock and Dam; modifying the transportation economic development program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 174.12, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senator Wiklund introduced-

S.F. No. 1553: A bill for an act relating to human services; providing for human services policy modifications; authorizing the use of unmarked vehicles by tobacco inspector staff; modifying requirements for background study expenses; modifying cost of care requirements for persons

committed by tribal courts; requiring compliance with the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation Act; continuing a council; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 168.012, subdivision 1; 245C.10, by adding a subdivision; 253B.212, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 260C.168; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Kent; Petersen, B.; Wiger and Bonoff introduced-

S.F. No. 1554: A bill for an act relating to education; providing for student placement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 122A.40, subdivision 8; 122A.41, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Senator Carlson introduced-

S.F. No. 1555: A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting cell phone use for drivers under age 18; requiring drivers to use a provisional driver's license until age 18; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 169.475, subdivision 2; 171.04, subdivision 1; 171.055, subdivision 2; 171.06, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

Senator Carlson introduced-

S.F. No. 1556: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; establishing a minimum fine for second or subsequent violation of prohibition on use of wireless communications devices while driving; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169.475, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Safety.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Saxhaug moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 365. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rosen moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 452. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westrom moved that the name of Senator Koenen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 458. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dahle moved that the names of Senators Ruud and Hawj be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 676. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran moved that the name of Senator Nelson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 807. The motion prevailed.

Senator Jensen moved that the name of Senator Tomassoni be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 920. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hawj moved that the name of Senator Saxhaug be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1037. The motion prevailed.

Senator Cohen moved that the names of Senators Stumpf and Franzen be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 1195. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sieben moved that the name of Senator Wiger be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1377. The motion prevailed.

Senator Tomassoni moved that the name of Senator Saxhaug be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1417. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappas moved that the name of Senator Hawj be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1419. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hayden moved that S.F. No. 1199 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing and re-referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran moved that S.F. No. 1434 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. The motion prevailed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator Sheran moved that the report from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, reported March 4, 2015, pertaining to the appointment of the Commissioner of Human Services, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sheran moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, reported March 4, 2015, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSIONER

Lucinda E. Jesson, 1992 Lincoln Ave., Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective January 5, 2015, for a term expiring on January 7, 2019.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator Torres Ray moved that the report from the Committee on State and Local Government, reported March 4, 2015, pertaining to the appointment of the Commissioner of Administration, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Torres Ray moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Torres Ray moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on State and Local Government, reported March 4, 2015, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION COMMISSIONER

Matthew J. Massman, 4218 Washburn Ave. N., Minneapolis, Hennepin County, effective January 5, 2015, for a term expiring on January 7, 2019.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator Torres Ray moved that the report from the Committee on State and Local Government, reported March 4, 2015, pertaining to the appointment of the Commissioner of the Office of MN.IT Services, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Torres Ray moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Torres Ray moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on State and Local Government, reported March 4, 2015, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES COMMISSIONER

Thomas Baden, 658 Cedar St., Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective January 14, 2015, for a term expiring on January 7, 2019.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator Sparks moved that the report from the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development, reported March 4, 2015, pertaining to the appointment of the Commissioner of Employment and Economic Development, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sparks moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sparks moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development, reported March 4, 2015, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER

Katie Clark Sieben, 332 Minnesota St., Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective January 5, 2015, for a term expiring on January 7, 2019.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Housley, Ingebrigtsen, Marty, Nienow, Ortman and Stumpf were excused from the Session of today.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Bakk moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2015. The motion prevailed.

JoAnne M. Zoff, Secretary of the Senate