

THIRTY-FOURTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, March 27, 2017

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Imam Asad Zaman.

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:

Abeler	Dziedzic	Housley	Lourey	Schoen
Anderson, B.	Eaton	Ingebrigtsen	Marty	Senjem
Anderson, P.	Eichorn	Isaacson	Mathews	Simonson
Bakk	Eken	Jasinski	Miller	Tomassoni
Benson	Fischbach	Jensen	Newman	Torres Ray
Carlson	Franzen	Johnson	Newton	Utke
Chamberlain	Frentz	Kent	Osmek	Weber
Clausen	Gazelka	Kiffmeyer	Pappas	Westrom
Cohen	Goggin	Klein	Pratt	Wiger
Cwodzinski	Hall	Koran	Relph	Wiklund
Dahms	Hawj	Lang	Rest	
Dibble	Hayden	Limmer	Rosen	
Draheim	Hoffman	Little	Ruud	

The President declared a quorum present.

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

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication was received.

March 23, 2017

The Honorable Kurt L. Daudt
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Michelle L. Fischbach
President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 2017 Session of the State Legislature have been received from the Office of the Governor and are deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

S.F. No.	H.F. No.	Session Laws Chapter No.	Time and Date Approved 2017	Date Filed 2017
	375	9	11:35 a.m. March 22	March 23
	444	10	11:36 a.m. March 22	March 23

Sincerely,
Steve Simon
Secretary of State

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

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

S.F. No. 803: A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for public safety, courts, corrections, Guardian Ad Litem Board, Uniform Laws Commission, Board on Judicial Standards, Board of Public Defense, Sentencing Guidelines, Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board, Private Detective Board, and Human Rights; lowering certain court-related fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 271.21, subdivision 2; 357.021, subdivision 2; 357.022; 609.748, subdivision 3a.

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

Page 2, line 1, delete "48,530,000" and insert "48,855,000" and delete "48,944,000" and insert "49,269,000"

Page 2, line 10, delete "13,145,000" and insert "13,470,000" and delete "13,145,000" and insert "13,470,000"

Page 2, line 24, delete "282,892,000" and insert "283,395,000" and delete "285,470,000" and insert "285,974,000"

Page 2, after line 27, insert:

"Mandated Services. \$503,000 the first year and \$504,000 the second year are for mandated court services."

Page 5, line 28, delete "senior health" and insert "nursing homes and boarding"

Page 5, line 30, delete "5,987,000" and insert "5,013,000" and delete "5,943,000" and insert "5,013,000"

Page 5, line 32, delete "5,987,000" and insert "5,013,000" and delete "5,943,000" and insert "5,013,000"

Page 6, delete line 4 and insert "\$1,350,000 each year is"

Page 6, line 5, delete "second year are"

Page 6, delete lines 7 to 9

Page 6, line 10, delete "(c)" and insert "(b)"

Page 6, line 11, delete "\$250,000" and insert "\$60,000" and delete "to fund" and insert "for"

Page 6, line 13, delete "(d)" and insert "(c)"

Page 10, delete lines 7 and 8 and insert:

"ARTICLE 2

FISCAL-RELATED STATUTORY CHANGES"

Page 10, before line 9, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13.69, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Classifications.** (a) The following government data of the Department of Public Safety are private data:

(1) medical data on driving instructors, licensed drivers, and applicants for parking certificates and special license plates issued to physically disabled persons;

(2) other data on holders of a disability certificate under section 169.345, except that (i) data that are not medical data may be released to law enforcement agencies, and (ii) data necessary for enforcement of sections 169.345 and 169.346 may be released to parking enforcement employees or parking enforcement agents of statutory or home rule charter cities and towns;

(3) Social Security numbers in driver's license and motor vehicle registration records, except that Social Security numbers must be provided to the Department of Revenue for purposes of tax administration, the Department of Labor and Industry for purposes of workers' compensation administration and enforcement, the judicial branch for purposes of debt collection, and the Department of Natural Resources for purposes of license application administration; and

(4) data on persons listed as standby or temporary custodians under section 171.07, subdivision 11, except that the data must be released to:

(i) law enforcement agencies for the purpose of verifying that an individual is a designated caregiver; or

(ii) law enforcement agencies who state that the license holder is unable to communicate at that time and that the information is necessary for notifying the designated caregiver of the need to care for a child of the license holder.

The department may release the Social Security number only as provided in clause (3) and must not sell or otherwise provide individual Social Security numbers or lists of Social Security numbers for any other purpose.

(b) The following government data of the Department of Public Safety are confidential data: data concerning an individual's driving ability when that data is received from a member of the individual's family."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 780: A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for agriculture and housing programs; making changes to programs and policy; establishing a shrimp production incentive program; establishing a wolf-livestock conflict prevention pilot program; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 17.119, subdivisions 1, 2; 18.79, subdivision 18; 18B.03, by adding a subdivision; 41A.20, subdivision 2; 462A.2035; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 41A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 41A.20, subdivision 6.

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

Page 6, line 15, after the period, insert "The base budget for agriculture research, extension, and technology transfer for fiscal year 2020 and later is \$7,700,000 each fiscal year."

Page 6, line 29, delete everything after the period

Page 6, delete line 30

Page 7, delete line 2

Page 9, line 3, after "41A.12" insert ", are available until June 30, 2021"

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

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

S.F. No. 723: A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for environment, natural resources, and tourism purposes; modifying fees; creating accounts; providing for disposition of certain receipts; modifying grant, contract, and lease provisions; modifying land, water, forest, and park management; modifying provisions to take, possess, and transport wildlife; modifying duties and authority; modifying buffer requirements; modifying wetland replacement and evaluation

requirements; modifying permit and license requirements; modifying Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Act; establishing a water quality improvement goal; extending ban on open air swine basins; modifying certain local authority; requiring agreements; modifying environmental review; modifying appeal provisions; eliminating Environmental Quality Board and reassigning duties; requiring reports; removing certain mandatory rulemaking requirements; requiring rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 3.886, subdivision 4; 13.7411, subdivision 9; 18B.045; 18E.06; 84.01, by adding a subdivision; 84.027, subdivisions 14a, 14b, by adding subdivisions; 84.788, subdivision 2; 84.793, subdivision 1; 84.8031; 84.82, subdivision 2; 84.925, subdivision 1; 84.9256, subdivision 1; 84.946, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 84.992, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6; 84D.03, subdivisions 3, 4; 84D.04, subdivision 1; 84D.05, subdivision 1; 84D.108, subdivision 2a, by adding a subdivision; 84D.11, by adding a subdivision; 85.0505, by adding a subdivision; 85.053, subdivisions 8, 10; 85.054, by adding a subdivision; 85.22, subdivision 2a; 85.32, subdivision 1; 86B.301, subdivision 2; 86B.313, subdivision 1; 86B.511; 86B.701, subdivision 3; 88.523; 89.39; 90.01, subdivisions 8, 12, by adding a subdivision; 90.041, subdivision 2; 90.051; 90.101, subdivision 2; 90.14; 90.145, subdivision 2; 90.151, subdivision 1; 90.162; 90.252; 93.25, subdivision 2; 93.47, subdivision 4; 93.50; 94.343, subdivision 9; 94.344, subdivision 9; 97A.015, subdivisions 39, 43, 45, 52, 53, by adding a subdivision; 97A.045, subdivision 10; 97A.075, subdivision 1; 97B.031, subdivision 6; 97B.071; 97B.405; 97B.431; 97B.655, subdivision 1; 97C.315, subdivision 1; 97C.355, subdivision 2a; 97C.401, subdivision 2; 97C.501, subdivision 1; 97C.515, subdivision 2; 97C.701, by adding a subdivision; 103A.204; 103B.101, subdivisions 9, 12a; 103B.151; 103B.315, subdivision 5; 103F.411, subdivision 1; 103F.48, subdivisions 1, 3, 7; 103G.005, subdivisions 10b, 10h, by adding a subdivision; 103G.222, subdivisions 1, 3; 103G.223; 103G.2242, subdivisions 1, 2; 103G.2372, subdivision 1; 103G.271, subdivisions 1, 6a, 7, by adding a subdivision; 103G.287, subdivisions 1, 4; 103G.289; 103G.411; 103H.151, subdivision 4; 103H.175, subdivision 3; 114D.25, by adding a subdivision; 115A.32; 115A.33; 115A.34; 115A.35; 115A.36; 115A.37; 115A.38, subdivisions 1, 3; 115A.39; 115B.20, subdivision 6; 115B.39, subdivision 2; 115B.40, subdivision 4; 115C.021, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 116.03, subdivision 2b, by adding a subdivision; 116.07, subdivision 4d, by adding subdivisions; 116.0714; 116C.74, subdivision 2; 116C.91, by adding a subdivision; 116C.92; 116C.94; 116C.95; 116C.96; 116C.97; 116C.99, subdivisions 2, 3; 116C.991; 116C.992; 116D.04, subdivisions 2a, 5b, 10, 13, 14; 116D.045, subdivision 1; 116F.06, subdivision 2; 160.06; 216B.243, subdivision 7; 216C.18, subdivision 2; 282.018, subdivision 1; 282.04, subdivision 1; Laws 2000, chapter 486, section 4, as amended; Laws 2013, chapter 114, article 4, section 105; Laws 2016, chapter 189, article 3, sections 3, subdivision 3; 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 85; 97B; 103A; 115; 116; 471; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 84.026, subdivision 3; 97B.031, subdivision 5; 97C.701, subdivisions 1a, 6; 97C.705; 97C.711; 103A.403; 103A.43; 103F.614; 116C.02; 116C.03, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3a, 4, 5, 6; 116C.04, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 11; 116C.06; 116C.08; 116C.71, subdivisions 1c, 2a; 116C.721; 116C.722; 116C.724, subdivisions 2, 3; 116C.91, subdivision 2; 116G.03, subdivision 2; Minnesota Rules, parts 6258.0100; 6258.0200; 6258.0300; 6258.0400; 6258.0500; 6258.0600; 6258.0700, subparts 1, 4, 5; 6258.0800; 6258.0900.

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

Page 2, line 35, delete "90,094,000" and insert "90,108,000" and delete "89,774,000" and insert "90,788,000"

Page 3, line 2, delete "77,767,000" and insert "78,781,000" and delete "77,447,000" and insert "78,461,000"

Page 7, line 7, delete "4,639,000" and insert "5,653,000" and delete "4,640,000" and insert "5,654,000"

Page 7, line 10, delete "3,875,000" and insert "4,889,000" and delete "3,875,000" and insert "4,889,000"

Page 7, line 12, before "\$174,000" insert "(a)"

Page 7, after line 21, insert:

"(b) \$1,014,000 the first year and \$1,014,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for Environmental Quality Board operations and support, and to lead an interagency team to provide technical assistance regarding the mining, processing, and transporting of silica sand."

Page 29, line 8, delete "expended" and insert "June 30, 2021"

Page 89, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 101. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 116C.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Membership.** The members of the board are the commissioner of administration, the commissioner of commerce, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency, the commissioner of natural resources, the commissioner of agriculture, the commissioner of health, the commissioner of employment and economic development, the commissioner of transportation, and the chair of the Board of Water and Soil Resources, and a representative of the governor's office designated by the governor. The governor shall appoint five eight members from the general public to the board, one from each congressional district, subject to the advice and consent of the senate. At least two of The five public members must have knowledge of and be conversant in water management issues in the state environmental review or permitting. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 15.06, subdivision 6, members of the board may not delegate their powers and responsibilities as board members to any other person."

Page 100, after line 24, insert:

"Sec. 115. **EQB MEMBERSHIP TRANSITION.**

(a) Until the governor has appointed members of the Environmental Quality Board from each congressional district as required under this act, this section governs membership of the board.

(b) The citizen members of the board as of July 1, 2017, shall continue to serve until the expiration of their terms.

(c) No later than October 1, 2017, the governor shall appoint board members from the first, second, seventh, and eighth congressional districts for terms to begin January 2, 2018.

(d) No later than October 1, 2018, the governor shall appoint a board member from the third congressional district for a term to begin January 8, 2019.

(e) No later than October 1, 2019, the governor shall appoint a board member from the fourth congressional district for a term to begin January 7, 2020.

(f) No later than October 1, 2020, the governor shall appoint a board member from the fifth congressional district for a term to begin January 5, 2021.

(g) No later than October 1, 2021, the governor shall appoint a commissioner from the sixth congressional district for a term to begin January 4, 2022."

Page 121, delete article 4

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 11, delete "eliminating" and insert "modifying"

Page 1, line 12, delete "and reassigning duties"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 2214: A bill for an act relating to higher education; providing funding and related policy changes for the Office of Higher Education, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota, and other related programs; modifying state grant program calculation parameters; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 135A.031, subdivision 7; 135A.15, subdivision 1a; 136A.101, subdivision 5a; 136A.1275; 136A.685; 148.89, subdivision 5; Laws 2014, chapter 312, article 1, section 15; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 136A; 148; 298.

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

Page 11, line 29, delete "14" and insert "15"

Page 24, line 22, delete "student teachers" and insert "teacher candidates"

Page 24, line 26, delete everything after "to" and insert "teacher candidates who intend to teach in a shortage area."

Page 24, delete line 27

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

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

S.F. No. 605: A bill for an act relating to the operation of state government; appropriating money for the legislature, governor's office, state auditor, attorney general, secretary of state, certain agencies, boards, councils, retirement funds; cancellation of certain appropriations; precluding agencies from transferring money to the governor's office for services; constraining the state auditor's use of funds for litigation expenses; requiring the state auditor to reimburse Wright, Becker, and Ramsey Counties for litigation expenses; limiting the state auditor's rates for 2017; requiring legislative approval for certain rules; making an ALJ decision the final decision in contested cases; creating an affirmative defense to certain rule violations; modifying the employee gainsharing program; requiring the Department of Administration to assess agencies for certain services; requiring the Office of MN.IT Services to report its project portfolio to the legislature; limiting severance pay for highly paid civil service employees; permitting state employees to opt out of insurance coverage under SEGIP; limiting public employer compensation under contracts to appropriated amounts; providing statutory appropriations to the Racing Commission in the event of a failure to pass a biennial appropriation; raising caps on Mighty Ducks grants; modifying expense calculation for the State Lottery; creating an advisory task force on fiscal notes; setting a deadline for consolidation of state information technology and for use of cloud-based solutions; creating a legislative commission to review consolidation of the state's information technology; establishing requirements for a grandfathered license for eyelash technicians; creating a working group for a rules status system; creating a grant program for election equipment; repealing the state auditor enterprise fund; repealing the campaign finance public subsidy program; repealing lottery payouts to people under 18; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 4.46; 6.481, subdivision 6; 6.56, subdivision 2; 6.581, subdivision 4; 14.18, subdivision 1; 14.27; 14.389, subdivision 3; 14.57; 16A.90; 16B.055, subdivision 1; 16B.371; 16E.0466; 43A.17, subdivision 11; 43A.24, by adding a subdivision; 155A.23, subdivisions 10, 15, 16, by adding a subdivision; 155A.29, subdivisions 1, 2; 155A.30, subdivisions 2, 5; 179A.20, by adding a subdivision; 240.15, subdivision 6; 240.155, subdivision 1; 240A.09; 349A.08, subdivision 2; 349A.10, subdivision 6; Laws 2016, chapter 127, section 8; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 6; 14; 16A; 240; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 6.581, subdivision 1; 10A.30; 10A.31, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 4, 5, 5a, 6, 6a, 7, 7a, 10, 10a, 10b, 11; 10A.315; 10A.321; 10A.322, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 10A.323; 155A.23, subdivision 8; 349A.08, subdivision 3.

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

Page 5, line 26, delete "23,247,000" and insert "22,683,000" and delete "23,247,000" and insert "22,683,000"

Page 5, line 31, delete "2,387,000" and insert "1,823,000" and delete "2,387,000" and insert "1,823,000"

Page 6, line 5, delete "4,984,000" and insert "4,420,000" and delete "4,984,000" and insert "4,420,000"

Page 6, line 10, delete "2,366,000" and insert "1,802,000" and delete "2,366,000" and insert "1,802,000"

Page 6, line 23, delete "7,901,000" and insert "7,502,000" and delete "6,240,000" and insert "6,291,000"

Page 6, lines 24 and 26, delete "\$6,129,000" and insert "\$6,180,000"

Page 7, line 2, delete "609,000" and insert "659,000" and delete "625,000" and insert "676,000"

Page 7, line 4, delete "5,081,000" and insert "4,632,000"

Page 7, line 5, delete "\$1,772,000" and insert "\$1,323,000"

Page 9, line 10, delete "20,036,000" and insert "20,284,000" and delete "19,536,000" and insert "19,636,000"

Page 9, delete section 11 and insert:

"Sec. 11. ADMINISTRATION

<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>20,036,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>19,536,000</u>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

<u>Subd. 2. Government and Citizen Services</u>	<u>7,149,000</u>	<u>7,001,000</u>
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<u>(a) Council on Developmental Disabilities</u>	<u>74,000</u>	<u>74,000</u>
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<u>(b) Olmstead Plan Increased Capacity</u>	<u>148,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
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For administrative costs to provide services to state agencies under the Olmstead Plan serving people with disabilities. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2019.

<u>(c) Materials Management Division</u>	<u>2,400,000</u>	<u>2,400,000</u>
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<u>(d) Real Estate and Construction Services</u>	<u>2,466,000</u>	<u>2,466,000</u>
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<u>(e) Enterprise Real Property Program</u>	<u>674,000</u>	<u>674,000</u>
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<u>(f) State Agency Accommodation Reimbursement</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
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\$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are credited to the accommodation account established in Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.4805.

<u>(g) State Archeologist</u>	<u>215,000</u>	<u>215,000</u>
<u>(h) Information Policy Analysis</u>	<u>525,000</u>	<u>525,000</u>
<u>(i) State Demographer</u>	<u>547,000</u>	<u>547,000</u>
Subd. 3. <u>Strategic Management</u>	<u>1,858,000</u>	<u>1,858,000</u>
Subd. 4. <u>Fiscal Agent</u>	<u>11,277,000</u>	<u>10,777,000</u>

The appropriations under this section are to the commissioner of administration for the purposes specified.

In-Lieu of Rent. \$8,158,000 the first year and \$8,158,000 the second year are for space costs of the legislature and veterans organizations, ceremonial space, and statutorily free space.

Public Broadcasting. (a) \$1,550,000 the first year and \$1,550,000 the second year are for matching grants for public television.

(b) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for public television equipment grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.13.

(c) \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to Twin Cities Public Television to produce the Vietnam: Minnesota Remembers project.

(d) The commissioner of administration must consider the recommendations of the Minnesota Public Television Association before allocating the amount appropriated in paragraphs (a) and (b) for equipment or matching grants.

(e) \$392,000 the first year and \$392,000 the second year are for community service grants to public educational radio stations. This appropriation may be used to disseminate emergency information in foreign languages.

(f) \$117,000 the first year and \$117,000 the second year are for equipment grants to public educational radio stations. This appropriation may be used for the repair,

rental, and purchase of equipment including equipment under \$500.

(g) \$310,000 the first year and \$310,000 the second year are for equipment grants to Minnesota Public Radio, Inc., including upgrades to Minnesota's Emergency Alert and AMBER Alert Systems.

(h) \$400,000 the first year is for a grant to Minnesota Public Radio, Inc. for upgrades to Minnesota's Emergency Alert and AMBER Alert Systems.

(i) The appropriations in paragraphs (e), (f), (g), and (h), may not be used for indirect costs claimed by an institution or governing body.

(j) The commissioner of administration must consider the recommendations of the Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations before awarding grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.14, using the appropriations in paragraphs (e) and (f). No grantee is eligible for a grant unless they are a member of the Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations on or before July 1, 2015.

(k) Any unencumbered balance remaining the first year for grants to public television or radio stations does not cancel and is available for the second year."

Page 11, line 7, after the second "the" insert "Association of"

Page 11, line 15, delete "2015" and insert "2017"

Page 12, after line 27, insert:

"The commissioner must give priority to processing personal income tax returns, taxpayer fraud prevention, and assure that taxpayer refunds are not delayed when determining spending plans for each of the activities in this section. The commissioner may transfer agency operational money between activities within the same fund in

this section if it is determined that there is insufficient money within an activity to meet these priorities. Any transfers of money within activities must be reported two weeks prior to the transfer taking place to the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees in the house of representatives and senate with jurisdiction over state government finance."

Page 19, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 36. **MILITARY AFFAIRS**

<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>19,616,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>19,616,000</u>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

<u>Subd. 2. Maintenance of Training Facilities</u>		<u>6,661,000</u>		<u>6,661,000</u>
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<u>Subd. 3. General Support</u>		<u>2,607,000</u>		<u>2,607,000</u>
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<u>Subd. 4. Enlistment Incentives</u>		<u>10,348,000</u>		<u>10,348,000</u>
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Appropriation Availability. If appropriations for either year of the biennium are insufficient, the appropriation from the other year is available. The appropriations for enlistment incentives are available until June 30, 2021.

Sec. 37. **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>74,384,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>74,374,000</u>
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Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
General	<u>74,179,000</u>	<u>74,179,000</u>
Special Revenue	<u>205,000</u>	<u>195,000</u>

The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

<u>Subd. 2. Veterans Programs and Services</u>		<u>17,166,000</u>		<u>17,156,000</u>
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Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
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General	<u>16,961,000</u>	<u>16,961,000</u>
Special Revenue	<u>205,000</u>	<u>195,000</u>

Veterans Service Organizations. \$353,000 each year is for grants to the following congressionally chartered veterans service organizations, as designated by the commissioner: Disabled American Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Vietnam Veterans of America, AMVETS, and Paralyzed Veterans of America. This funding must be allocated in direct proportion to the funding currently being provided by the commissioner to these organizations.

Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans. \$750,000 each year is for a grant to the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans to provide assistance throughout Minnesota to veterans and their families who are homeless or in danger of homelessness, including assistance with the following:

- (1) utilities;
- (2) employment; and
- (3) legal issues.

The assistance authorized under this paragraph must be made only to veterans who have resided in Minnesota for 30 days prior to application for assistance and according to other guidelines established by the commissioner. In order to avoid duplication of services, the commissioner must ensure that this assistance is coordinated with all other available programs for veterans.

Honor Guards. \$200,000 each year is for compensation for honor guards at the funerals of veterans under Minnesota Statutes, section 197.231.

Minnesota GI Bill. \$200,000 each year is for the costs of administering the Minnesota

GI Bill postsecondary educational benefits, on-the-job training, and apprenticeship program under Minnesota Statutes, section 197.791. Of this amount, \$100,000 is for transfer to the Office of Higher Education.

Gold Star Program. \$100,000 each year is for administering the Gold Star Program for surviving family members of deceased veterans.

County Veterans Service Office. \$1,100,000 each year is for funding the County Veterans Service Office grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section 197.608.

Veterans' Voices. \$25,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$25,000 in fiscal year 2019 are for a grant to the Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations for statewide programming to promote the Veterans' Voices program. The Veterans' Voices program shall educate and engage communities regarding veterans' contributions, knowledge, skills, and experiences with an emphasis on Korean War veterans and Operation Desert Storm veterans. These appropriations are from the Support Our Troops account in the special revenue fund. This is a onetime appropriation and is not added to the base.

Veterans Defense Project. \$90,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$85,000 in fiscal year 2019 are for grants to the Veterans Defense Project. The Veterans Defense Project must use the grant money to support, through education, outreach, and legal assistance, military veterans who are involved with the criminal justice system. These appropriations are from the Support Our Troops account in the special revenue fund. This is a onetime appropriation and is not added to the base.

Veterans Journey Home; Appropriation. \$90,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$85,000 in fiscal year 2019 are for a grant to the

Veterans Journey Home. The Veterans Journey Home must use the grant money to support the development of new or rehabbed affordable housing dedicated for low-to-moderate income veterans and their families. These appropriations are from the Support Our Troops account in the special revenue fund. This is a onetime appropriation and is not added to the base.

Subd. 3. **Veterans Homes**

57,218,000

57,218,000

Veterans Homes Special Revenue Account.

The general fund appropriations made to the department may be transferred to a veterans homes special revenue account in the special revenue fund in the same manner as other receipts are deposited according to Minnesota Statutes, section 198.34, and are appropriated to the department for the operation of veterans homes facilities and programs.

Maximize Federal Reimbursements. The department will seek opportunities to maximize federal reimbursements of Medicare-eligible expenses and will provide annual reports to the commissioner of management and budget on the federal Medicare reimbursements received. Contingent upon future federal Medicare receipts, reductions to the homes' general fund appropriation may be made.

Sec. 38. **MILITARY AFFAIRS; TRANSFER AUTHORITY**

Of the funds transferred to maintenance of training facilities in Laws 2015, chapter 77, article 1, section 36, subdivision 4, \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 may be transferred to the enlistment incentives appropriation to address a projected fiscal year 2017 deficit in the enlistment incentives program."

Page 28, line 32, strike "must" and insert "may"

Page 29, after line 6, insert:

"Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16B.4805, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Reimbursement for making reasonable accommodation.** The commissioner of administration shall reimburse state agencies for up to 50 percent of the cost of expenses incurred in making reasonable accommodations eligible for reimbursement for agency employees and applicants for employment to the extent that funds are available in the accommodation account established under subdivision 3 for this purpose.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16B.4805, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Administration costs.** The commissioner may use up to ~~15 percent~~ \$5,000 of the biennial appropriation for administration of this section."

Page 35, after line 5, insert:

"Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Uses.** (a) Money appropriated from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account to the Department of Military Affairs may be used for:

- (1) grants directly to eligible individuals;
 - (2) grants to one or more eligible foundations for the purpose of making grants to eligible individuals, as provided in this section;
 - (3) veterans' services; ~~or~~
 - (4) grants to family readiness groups chartered by the adjutant general; or
 - (5) up to \$500,000 per fiscal year for bonus programs as defined in section 192.501.
- (b) As used in paragraph (a), the term "eligible individual" includes any person who is:
- (1) a member in good standing of the Minnesota National Guard or a reserve unit based in Minnesota ~~who has been called to active service as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5;~~
 - (2) a Minnesota resident who is a member of a military reserve unit not based in Minnesota, if the member is called to active service as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5;
 - (3) any other Minnesota resident performing active service for any branch of the military of the United States;
 - (4) a person who honorably served in one of the capacities listed in clause (1), (2), or (3) who has current financial needs ~~directly related to that service;~~ and
 - (5) a member of the immediate family of an individual identified in clause (1), (2), (3), or (4). For purposes of this clause, "immediate family" means the individual's spouse and minor children and, if they are dependents of the member of the military, the member's parents, grandparents, siblings, stepchildren, and adult children.

(c) As used in paragraph (a), the term "eligible foundation" includes any organization that:

(1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) has articles of incorporation under chapter 317A specifying the purpose of the organization as including the provision of financial assistance to members of the Minnesota National Guard and other United States armed forces reserves and their families and survivors; and

(3) agrees in writing to distribute any grant money received from the adjutant general under this section to eligible individuals as defined in this section and in accordance with any written policies and rules the adjutant general may impose as conditions of the grant to the foundation.

(d) The maximum grant awarded to an eligible individual under paragraph (a) in a calendar year with funds from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account, either through an eligible institution or directly from the adjutant general, may not exceed ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Uses; veterans.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account may be used for:

(1) grants to veterans service organizations;

(2) outreach to underserved veterans;

(3) providing services and programs for veterans and their families;

(4) transfers to the vehicle services account for Gold Star license plates under section 168.1253;

(5) grants of up to \$100,000 to any organization approved by the commissioner of veterans affairs for the purpose of supporting and improving the lives of veterans and their families; ~~and~~

(6) grants to an eligible foundation;

(7) the agency's uncompensated burial costs for eligible dependents to whom the commissioner grants a no-fee or reduced-fee burial in the state's veteran cemeteries pursuant to section 197.236, subdivision 9, paragraph (b); and

(8) grants of up to \$3,000 to a disabled veteran to construct disability access improvements in or around the disabled veteran's residence.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible foundation" includes any organization that:

(1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(2) is a nonprofit corporation under chapter 317A and the organization's articles of incorporation specify that a purpose of the organization includes: (i) providing assistance to veterans and their families; or (ii) enhancing the lives of veterans and their families.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.236, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Burial fees.** (a) The commissioner of veterans affairs shall establish a fee schedule, which may be adjusted from time to time, for the interment of eligible spouses and dependent

children. The fees shall cover as nearly as practicable the actual costs of interment, excluding the value of the plot.

(b) Upon application, the commissioner may waive or reduce the burial fee in the case of for an indigent eligible person. The commissioner shall develop a policy, eligibility standards, and application form for requests to waive or reduce the burial fee to indigent eligible applicants.

(c) No plot or interment fees may be charged for the burial of service members who die on active duty or eligible veterans, as defined in United States Code, title 38, section 101, paragraph (2)."

Page 43, line 16, after the period, insert "The minutes, recordings, and documents from a closed meeting under this subdivision shall be maintained by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and shall not be made available to the public until eight years after the date of the meeting."

Page 43, line 22, delete "April 30" and insert "February 28"

Page 44, line 6, delete "April 30" and insert "February 28"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 16, after "amounts" insert "; modifying uses for Support Our Troops account; requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs to develop a policy to grant free or reduced-cost burials in state veterans cemeteries to eligible indigent dependents of veterans"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

Senator Chamberlain from the Committee on Taxes, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 1060: A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing sale and issuance of trunk highway bonds; redistributing five percent set-aside from highway user tax distribution fund; rededicating certain tax proceeds; amending various transportation and transit policies; amending policies relating to the Department of Public Safety; requiring reports; establishing a task force; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 85.016; 116.03, by adding a subdivision; 117.189; 160.02, subdivision 27, by adding subdivisions; 160.262, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 160.266, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; 161.081, subdivision 1; 161.088, subdivisions 4, 5, 7, by adding a subdivision; 161.115, subdivision 190; 161.21, subdivision 1; 161.321, subdivision 6; 161.44, subdivisions 5, 6a, by adding a subdivision; 168.021, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a; 168A.09, subdivision 1; 168A.141; 168A.142; 169.14, by adding subdivisions; 169.345, subdivisions 1, 3; 169.80, subdivision 1; 169.829, by adding a subdivision; 169.865, subdivision 3; 169.871, subdivision 1; 171.06, subdivision 2a; 171.12, subdivision 6; 174.03, subdivisions 1a, 1c; 221.031, by adding a subdivision; 256B.15, subdivision 1a; 297A.815, subdivision 3; 297A.94; 297B.01, subdivision 16; 473.388, subdivision 2; 473.4051, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 168; 168A; 169; 174; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 160.262, subdivision 2; 160.265; 160.266, subdivisions 1, 2; 161.115, subdivision 32; Minnesota Rules, parts

8810.6000; 8810.6100; 8810.6300; 8810.6400; 8810.6500; 8810.6600; 8810.6700; 8810.6800; 8810.6900; 8810.7000; 8810.9910; 8810.9911; 8810.9912; 8810.9913.

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

Page 53, after line 2, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 168.013, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:

Subd. 1d. **Trailer.** (a) On trailers registered at a gross vehicle weight of greater than 3,000 pounds, the annual tax is based on total gross weight and is 30 percent of the Minnesota base rate prescribed in subdivision 1e, when the gross weight is 15,000 pounds or less, and when the gross weight of a trailer is more than 15,000 pounds, the tax for the first eight years of vehicle life is 100 percent of the tax imposed in the Minnesota base rate schedule, and during the ninth and succeeding years of vehicle life the tax is 75 percent of the Minnesota base rate prescribed by subdivision 1e. A trailer registered at a gross vehicle weight greater than 3,000 pounds but no greater than 7,200 pounds may be taxed either: (1) annually as provided in this paragraph; or (2) once every three years on the basis of total gross weight and is 90 percent of the Minnesota base rate prescribed in subdivision 1e, ~~provided that the filing fee under section 168.33, subdivision 7, paragraph (a), is multiplied by three, with funds collected by the commissioner allocated proportionally in the same manner as provided in section 168.33, subdivision 7, paragraph (e).~~

(b) Farm trailers with a gross weight in excess of 10,000 pounds and as described in section 168.002, subdivision 8, are taxed as farm trucks as prescribed in subdivision 1c.

(c) Effective on and after July 1, 2001, trailers registered at a gross vehicle weight of 3,000 pounds or less must display a distinctive plate. The registration on the license plate is valid for the life of the trailer only if it remains registered at the same gross vehicle weight. The onetime registration tax for trailers registered for the first time in Minnesota is \$55. For trailers registered in Minnesota before July 1, 2001, and for which:

(1) registration is desired for the remaining life of the trailer, the registration tax is \$25; or

(2) permanent registration is not desired, the biennial registration tax is \$10 for the first renewal if registration is renewed between and including July 1, 2001, and June 30, 2003. These trailers must be issued permanent registration at the first renewal on or after July 1, 2003, and the registration tax is \$20.

For trailers registered at a gross weight of 3,000 pounds or less before July 1, 2001, but not renewed until on or after July 1, 2003, the registration tax is \$20 and permanent registration must be issued."

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.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 803, 780, 723, 2214, and 605 were read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senators Hawj, Hoffman, Marty, Eaton, and Wiger introduced--

S.F. No. 2252: A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for a pedestrian crossing and associated improvements at an intersection in the city of St. Paul.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Senator Eken introduced--

S.F. No. 2253: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; authorizing the city of Detroit Lakes to impose a local sales and use tax to fund specified capital improvements.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Abeler and Franzen introduced--

S.F. No. 2254: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; establishing Rotary International special license plates; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Senator Chamberlain introduced--

S.F. No. 2255: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing a school building bond agricultural property tax credit; modifying the state general levy; providing income tax subtractions for Social Security benefits and contributions to section 529 college savings plans; providing income tax credits for section 529 college savings plans and student loan payments; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 127A.45, subdivisions 10, 13; 273.1392; 273.1393; 275.025, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 275.065, subdivision 3; 275.07, subdivision 2; 275.08, subdivision 1b; 276.04, subdivision 2; 290.0132, by adding subdivisions; 290.091, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 273; 290.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Osmek introduced--

S.F. No. 2256: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; requiring voter approval for the greater Minnesota transportation sales and use tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 297A.993, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Clausen introduced--

S.F. No. 2257: A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money to the Minnesota investment fund and the Minnesota job creation fund.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy.

Senators Ruud and Pratt introduced--

S.F. No. 2258: A bill for an act relating to permanent school fund; appropriating money based on general fund forecast to compensate permanent school fund for certain lands; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16A.152, subdivisions 1b, 2.

Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance.

Senators Laine and Eaton introduced--

S.F. No. 2259: A bill for an act relating to education finance; providing a grant for drug abuse prevention instruction; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance.

Senator Schoen introduced--

S.F. No. 2260: A bill for an act relating to mass transit; appropriating money for the Red Rock Corridor transitway demonstration project.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Senators Johnson, Rest, Hall, Relph, and Anderson, B. introduced--

S.F. No. 2261: A bill for an act relating to juveniles; safety and placement; providing for the emancipation of minors in certain situations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 518A.39, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260C.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Senator Hayden introduced--

S.F. No. 2262: A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money for identifying patients at risk for colon cancer and providing screening.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance and Policy.

Senator Isaacson introduced--

S.F. No. 2263: A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for small business development center services.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Benson moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 799. The motion prevailed.

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Senator Cwodzinski moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1061. The motion prevailed.

Senator Marty moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1318. The motion prevailed.

Senator Benson moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1372. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that the name of Senator Eaton be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1400. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that the name of Senator Anderson, P. be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1684. The motion prevailed.

Senator Fischbach moved that the name of Senator Lang be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1743. The motion prevailed.

Senator Anderson, P. moved that the name of Senator Wiger be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1827. The motion prevailed.

Senator Little moved that the names of Senators Hall, Housley, and Goggin be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2016. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that the name of Senator Ingebrigtsen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2034. The motion prevailed.

Senator Relph moved that the names of Senators Senjem and Franzen be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2186. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that S.F. No. 112 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance and Policy and re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. The motion prevailed.

Senator Senjem moved that S.F. No. 480 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy and Elections. The motion prevailed.

Senators Gazelka and Bakk introduced --

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7: A Senate concurrent resolution relating to adjournment for more than three days.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that:

(1) Upon its adjournment on Thursday, April 6, 2017, the Senate may adjourn for more than three days, and upon its adjournment on Friday, April 7, 2017, the House of Representatives may adjourn for more than three days.

(2) By the adoption of this resolution, each house consents to adjournment of the other house for more than three days.

Senator Gazelka moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion prevailed. So the resolution was adopted.

Senator Gazelka moved that H.F. No. 1478 be taken from the table, and given a second reading. The motion prevailed.

H.F. No. 1478: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying unrequested leave of absence provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 122A.40, subdivision 10; 122A.41, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 122A.40, subdivision 11; 122A.41, subdivision 14.

H.F. No. 1478 was read the second time.

Senator Gazelka moved that H.F. No. 1478 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Champion, Latz, and Sparks were excused from the Session of today.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Gazelka moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 28, 2017. The motion prevailed.

Cal R. Ludeman, Secretary of the Senate

