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Minnesota House of Representatives

Kurt Zellers, Speaker

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Fairgoers invited to weigh-in on marriage definition, sales tax on clothes and voter ID Legislators to meet and greet at the Minnesota State Fair — *updated 9/1*

Fairgoers can let their opinion be known on a number of state issues by participating in the annual Minnesota State Fair Poll at the House of Representatives booth during the fair's 12-day run, Aug. 25- Sept. 5.

This year's questions cover such topics as publicly funded preschool education for all children, expanding gambling, and adding clothing to the list of taxable items.

Although not scientific, ballot results give a heads up to what Minnesotans think about some high-profile issues. A list of this year's poll questions is available on the House website, and poll results should be available on the site Sept. 6.

The booth will be stocked with information introducing fairgoers to state government and to help them better understand the legislative process.

The exhibit will be located in the northeast corner of the Education Building on Cosgrove Street just north of Dan Patch Avenue.

It has been a long-standing tradition that House members make themselves available to answer questions and meet with the public.

The following is a list of representatives, as of Sept. 1, planning to attend, including dates, times and the district they represent:

Thursday, Aug. 25

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Rick Hansen (39A), Rep. Joe Atkins (39B)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Ernie Leidiger (34A), Rep. Peggy Scott (49A)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Rep. Kathy Lohmer (56A), Rep. Bob Gunther (24A)

Friday, Aug. 26

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Rick Hansen (39A), Rep. Lyndon Carlson Sr. (45B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. Linda Runbeck (53A)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Diane Loeffler (59A), Rep. Branden Petersen (49B)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Rep. Rena Moran (65A), Rep. Connie Doepke (33B)

Saturday, Aug. 27

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Marion Greene (60A), Rep. Kate Knuth (50B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. King Banaian (15B)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Rena Moran (65A), Rep. Bob Barrett (17B)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Rep. Duane Quam (29A)

Sunday, Aug. 28

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Minority Leader Paul Thissen (63A)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Joe Mullery (58A), Rep. Duane Quam (29A)

Monday, Aug. 29

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Roger Crawford (8B), Rep. Kelby Woodard (25B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. Mark Buesgens (35B)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Jim Abeler (48B)

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Rep. Bob Barrett (17B), Rep. Kathy Lohmer (56A)

Tuesday, Aug. 30

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Carol McFarlane (53B), Rep. Chris Swedzinski (21A)

12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.: Rep. Kathy Lohmer (56A)

4 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Rep. Joe McDonald (19B)

Wednesday, Aug. 31

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Mindy Greiling (54A) Rep. Nora Slawik (55B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Speaker of the House Kurt Zellers (32B), Rep. Pat Mazorol (41B), Rep. Pam Myhra (40A)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Bev Scalze (54B), Rep. Kathy Brynaert (23B)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Rep. Tim Kelly (28A), Rep. Keith Downey (41A)

Thursday, Sept. 1

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Leon Lillie (55A), Rep. Paul Torkelson (21B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. Denny McNamara (57B), Rep. Dean Urdahl (18B)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Mike Beard (35A), Rep. Joe Mullery (58A)

Friday, Sept. 2

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Kathy Lohmer (56A), Rep. John Benson (43B)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. Pat Garofalo (36B), Rep. Bruce Anderson (19A)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Sondra Erickson (16A)

Saturday, Sept. 3

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Joe Mullery (58A)

Noon to 2 p.m.: Rep. Paul Anderson (13A), Rep. King Banaian (15B)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Phyllis Kahn (59B), Rep. Andrea Kieffer (56B)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Majority Leader Matt Dean (52B), Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen (25A)

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Rep. Tom Hackbarth (48A)

Sunday, Sept. 4

10 a.m. to noon: Rep. Jim Davnie (62A), Rep. Tina Liebling (30A)

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Rep. Steve Drazkowski (28B)

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Rep. Ron Shimanski (18A)