

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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SIXTH DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2001

The House of Representatives convened at 3:00 p.m. and was called to order by Steve Sviggum, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Bruce Konold, Eagan Hills Alliance Church, Eagan, Minnesota.

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

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abeler	Dorn	Holsten	Lindner	Ozment	Stang
Abrams	Eastlund	Howes	Lipman	Paulsen	Swapinski
Anderson, B.	Erhardt	Huntley	Luther	Pawlenty	Swenson
Anderson, I.	Erickson	Jacobson	Mahoney	Paymar	Sykora
Bakk	Evans	Jaros	Mares	Pelowski	Thompson
Bernardy	Finseth	Jennings	Mariani	Penas	Tingelstad
Biernat	Folliard	Johnson, J.	Marko	Peterson	Tuma
Bishop	Fuller	Johnson, R.	Marquart	Pugh	Vandever
Boudreau	Gerlach	Johnson, S.	McElroy	Rhodes	Wagenius
Bradley	Gleason	Juhnke	McGuire	Rifenberg	Walker
Buesgens	Goodno	Kalis	Milbert	Rukavina	Walz
Carlson	Goodwin	Kelliher	Molnau	Ruth	Wasiluk
Cassell	Gray	Kielkucki	Mulder	Schumacher	Wenzel
Clark, J.	Greiling	Knoblach	Mullery	Seagren	Westerberg
Daggett	Gunther	Koskinen	Murphy	Seifert	Westrom
Davids	Haas	Kubly	Ness	Sertich	Wilkin
Davnie	Hackbarth	Kuisle	Nornes	Skoe	Winter
Dawkins	Harder	Larson	Olson	Skoglund	Wolf
Dehler	Hausman	Leighton	Opatz	Slawik	Workman
Dempsey	Hilstrom	Lenczewski	Osskopp	Smith	Spk. Sviggum
Dibble	Hilty	Leppik	Osthoff	Solberg	
Dorman	Holberg	Lieder	Otremba	Stanek	

A quorum was present.

Clark, K.; Entenza; Kahn and Krinkie were excused.

The Chief Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day. Ruth moved that further reading of the Journal be suspended and that the Journal be approved as corrected by the Chief Clerk. The motion prevailed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Bradley from the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 4, A bill for an act relating to health; repealing MinnesotaCare premium and provider taxes; requiring pass-through of savings to consumers; providing for disposition of tobacco settlement money; providing for contingent penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 62J.041, subdivision 1; 62Q.095, subdivision 6; 214.16, subdivisions 2 and 3; 270B.01, subdivision 8; 270B.14, subdivision 1; and 297I.15, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 62Q; and 256L; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 13.4967, subdivision 3; 16A.76; 62T.10; 144.1484, subdivision 2; 256L.02, subdivision 3; 295.50; 295.51; 295.52; 295.53; 295.54; 295.55; 295.56; 295.57; 295.58; 295.582; 295.59; and 297I.05, subdivision 5.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance.

The report was adopted.

Bradley from the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 14, A bill for an act relating to health; crediting tobacco settlement revenues to the health care access fund; eliminating the MinnesotaCare provider taxes and the premium tax on nonprofit health plan companies on a contingent basis; requiring pass-through of savings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 295.52, by adding a subdivision; 297I.05, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16A; and 62Q.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 1, line 20, delete "2000" and insert "2001"

Page 2, line 28, delete "structural"

Page 2, line 31, delete "structural"

Page 2, line 34, delete "structural"

Page 3, line 2, delete "structural"

Page 3, line 5, delete "structural"

Page 3, line 11, delete "structural"

Page 3, line 15, delete "structural"

Page 3, line 36, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 2, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 5, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 8, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 11, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 19, delete "structural"

Page 4, line 23, delete "structural"

Page 5, delete section 5

Page 5, after line 3, insert:

"Sec. 5. [REPEALER; FEDERAL RESERVE.]

Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 16A.76, is repealed effective July 1, 2001."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 10, before the period, insert "; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 16A.76"

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance.

The report was adopted.

Workman from the Committee on Transportation Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 37, A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; abolishing statutes that define trackless trolley car, that regulate driving through rough country, and that prohibit employment by passenger carriers of persons addicted to liquor; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 169.01, subdivision 18; 169.38; and 169.901.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 1, after line 8, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 169.03, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. [~~STREETCAR AND TROLLEY STREETCARS.~~] Streetcars ~~and trackless trolley cars~~, except where otherwise specifically provided, shall be governed by the same rules as provided in this chapter for vehicles and motor vehicles, only insofar as such rules apply to speed, stopped at through streets and railroad tracks, and obeying signals of traffic-control devices and rights-of-way, driving under the influence of drugs or intoxicating liquor, careless driving, and the stopping at the scene of an accident and giving the information as required by this chapter, and following vehicles too closely, and shall be entitled to the same rights and benefits of this chapter, as to warning, turning and stopping signals and rights-of-way, as any vehicles or motor vehicle in the streets and highways of this state.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 169.20, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. [EMERGENCY VEHICLE.] (a) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle equipped with at least one lighted lamp exhibiting red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the front of such vehicle and, except where otherwise not required by law, when the driver is giving audible signal by siren, the driver of each other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to and as close as possible to the right-hand edge or curb of the highway clear of any intersection, and shall stop and remain in this position until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed, except

when otherwise directed by a police officer. The driver of another vehicle on a one-way roadway shall drive to the closest edge or curb and stop. The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle escorting the movement of a vehicle or load which is oversize or overweight need not sound an audible signal by siren but shall exhibit the light required by this paragraph. The driver of each other vehicle then shall yield the right-of-way, as required by this paragraph, to the emergency vehicle escorting the vehicle or load which is oversize or overweight.

(b) Upon the approach of an authorized emergency vehicle the driver of each ~~street car and the operator of each trackless trolley car~~ streetcar shall immediately stop ~~such the car~~ clear of any intersection and keep it in this position and keep the doors and gates of the street car ~~or trackless trolley car~~ closed until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.

(c) A peace officer may arrest the driver of a motor vehicle if the peace officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has operated the vehicle in violation of paragraph (a) within the four-hour period following the termination of the emergency incident.

(d) This subdivision shall not operate to relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of persons using the highways.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 169.46, is amended to read:

169.46 [HITCHING BEHIND VEHICLE.]

No person shall hitch a toboggan, hand sled, bicycle, or other similar device onto any motor vehicle, ~~street car~~ or ~~trackless trolley car~~ streetcar while being used on a highway.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 169.80, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [OUTSIDE WIDTH.] (a) The total outside width of a vehicle exclusive of rear view mirrors or load securement devices which are not an integral part of the vehicle and not exceeding three inches on each side, or the load may not exceed 102 inches except that the outside width of a vehicle owned by a political subdivision and used exclusively for the purpose of handling sewage sludge from sewage treatment facilities to farm fields or disposal sites, may not exceed 12 feet, and except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) A vehicle exceeding 102 inches in total outside width, owned by a political subdivision and used for the purpose of transporting or applying sewage sludge to farm fields or disposal sites may not transport sludge for distances greater than 15 miles, nor may it be used for transportation of sewage sludge or return travel between the hours of sunset and sunrise, or at any other time when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, or other conditions rendering persons and vehicles not clearly discernible on the highway at a distance of 500 feet.

(c) The total outside width of a low bed trailer or equipment dolly, and the load, used exclusively for transporting farm machinery and construction equipment may not exceed nine feet in width except that a low bed trailer or equipment dolly with a total outside width, including the load, in excess of 102 inches may not be operated on any interstate highway without first having obtained a permit for the operation under section 169.86. The vehicle must display 12-inch square red flags as markers at the front and rear of the left side of the vehicle.

(d) The total outside width of a ~~trackless trolley car~~ or passenger motor bus, operated exclusively in a city or contiguous cities in this state, may not exceed nine feet."

Page 1, line 9, delete "Section 1." and insert "Sec. 5."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 6, after the semicolon, insert "making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 169.03, subdivision 7; 169.20, subdivision 5; 169.46; and 169.80, subdivision 2;"

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass.

The report was adopted.

Rhodes from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy reported on the following appointment which had been referred to the committee by the Speaker:

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

SHIRLEY CHASE

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

Rhodes moved that the report of the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy relating to the appointment of Shirley Chase to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board be adopted. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted.

CONFIRMATION

Rhodes moved that the House, having advised, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of Shirley Chase, 736 Carla Lane, Little Canada, Minnesota 55109, in the county of Ramsey, effective July 14, 2000, for a term expiring January 6, 2003. The motion prevailed and the appointment of Shirley Chase was confirmed by the House.

Rhodes from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy reported on the following appointment which had been referred to the committee by the Speaker:

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

WILBUR FLUEGEL

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

Rhodes moved that the report of the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy relating to the appointment of Wilbur Fluegel to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board be adopted. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted.

CONFIRMATION

Rhodes moved that the House, having advised, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of Wilbur Fluegel, 14060 - 92nd Place North, Maple Grove, Minnesota 55369, in the county of Hennepin, effective January 1, 2001, for a term expiring January 3, 2005. The motion prevailed and the appointment of Wilbur Fluegel was confirmed by the House.

Rhodes from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy reported on the following appointment which had been referred to the committee by the Speaker:

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

DONALD ROGGENBAUER

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

Rhodes moved that the report of the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy relating to the appointment of Donald Roggenbauer to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board be adopted. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted.

CONFIRMATION

Rhodes moved that the House, having advised, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of Donald Roggenbauer, Post Office Box 1884, Maple Grove, Minnesota 55311, in the county of Hennepin, effective July 14, 2000, for a term expiring January 7, 2002. The motion prevailed and the appointment of Donald Roggenbauer was confirmed by the House.

Rhodes from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy reported on the following appointment which had been referred to the committee by the Speaker:

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

ALLAN SPEAR

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

Rhodes moved that the report of the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy relating to the appointment of Allan Spear to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board be adopted. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted.

CONFIRMATION

Rhodes moved that the House, having advised, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of Allan Spear, 2429 Colfax Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55405, in the county of Hennepin, effective January 4, 2001, for a term expiring January 6, 2003. The motion prevailed and the appointment of Allan Spear was confirmed by the House.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H. F. No. 37 was read for the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Pawlenty and Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 176, A bill for an act relating to taxes; sales and use tax; exempting vitamins and minerals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 297A.67, subdivision 7.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Molnau, Swenson, Workman, Lieder and Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 177, A bill for an act relating to local government; providing for tort immunity for claims arising out of use or operation of a recreational motor vehicle on a highway right-of-way; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 466.03, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Policy.

Howes; Walz; Bakk; Hackbarth; Daggett; Olson; Fuller; Kielkucki; Cassell; Penas; Johnson, J.; Eastlund and Ruth introduced:

H. F. No. 178, A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article I; providing that the right of citizens to bear arms for certain purposes is fundamental and shall not be abridged.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Abrams, Milbert, Paulsen, Rifenberg, Dorman, Harder, Daggett, McElroy, Erhardt, Lenczewski, Bernardy and Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 179, A bill for an act relating to taxation; corporation franchise tax; extending the exemption for foreign insurance companies to all insurance companies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 290.01, subdivisions 22 and 29; 290.014, subdivision 5; 290.05, subdivision 1; 290.0921, subdivisions 1, 2, and 6; 290.0922, subdivision 2; 290.093; 290.095, subdivision 2; 290.17, subdivisions 1 and 4; 290.191, subdivision 2; 290.21, subdivision 4; and 297L.20; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 290.095, subdivision 1a; and 290.35.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Ruth and Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 180, A bill for an act relating to tax increment financing; authorizing certain uses of tax increment revenues from an economic development district in the city of Medford.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Wenzel introduced:

H. F. No. 181, A bill for an act relating to human services; lowering age requirements and variances for adult foster care license capacity, with certain conditions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 245A.11, subdivision 2a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Paymar introduced:

H. F. No. 182, A bill for an act relating to community development; providing funding for Neighborhood Development Center, Inc.; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Jobs and Economic Development.

Abrams, Milbert, Dempsey, Kuisle, Erhardt, Rifenberg, Dorman, Paulsen, Harder, Daggett, Wilkin, McElroy, Knobloch, Lenczewski, Gleason, Mullery, Bernardy and Walker introduced:

H. F. No. 183, A bill for an act relating to taxes; sales and use taxes; making the capital equipment exemption an up-front exemption; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 297A.68, subdivision 5; and 297A.75.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Abrams, Milbert, Dempsey, Jacobson, Paulsen, Kuisle, Rifenberg, Erhardt, Dorman, Harder, Daggett, Wilkin, McElroy, Knobloch, Lenczewski, Gleason, Dawkins, Leighton, Bernardy, Mullery and Walker introduced:

H. F. No. 184, A bill for an act relating to taxes; eliminating June accelerated payments of sales taxes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 289A.18, subdivision 4; and 289A.20, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 289A.60, subdivision 15.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Marko introduced:

H. F. No. 185, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money to the city of Newport for right-of-way acquisition and construction costs.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance.

Hackbarth; Paulsen; Anderson, I.; Erhardt; Lenczewski and Vandever introduced:

H. F. No. 186, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; providing a subtraction for social security income; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 290.01, subdivision 19b.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Abrams, McElroy, Kuisle, Ozment and Lenczewski introduced:

H. F. No. 187, A bill for an act relating to taxation; prohibiting modification and limiting expenditures of certain tax increment financing districts; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 469.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Stanek and Lindner introduced:

H. F. No. 188, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; exempting sales to political subdivisions of a state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 297A.70, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; and 297A.991, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Luther; Anderson, I., and Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 189, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; providing for a checkoff for anatomical gift education; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 290.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Pelowski; Johnson, R.; Opatz; Carlson; Dorn; Kelliher; Marquart; Winter; Schumacher; Luther; Sertich; Bernardy; Lieder; Skoe; Goodwin; Hilstrom; Johnson, S., and Pugh introduced:

H. F. No. 190, A bill for an act relating to higher education; funding student aid and other post-secondary programs; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance.

Erickson introduced:

H. F. No. 191, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing a fund transfer for independent school district No. 473, Isle.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Goodno, Fuller, Pelowski, Mulder, Peterson, Jennings, Juhnke, Dorn and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 192, A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing special taxing districts for emergency medical services; authorizing property tax levies; adding to the list of special taxing districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 275.066; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144F.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance.

Paulsen, Erhardt, Lenczewski, Sykora and Seagren introduced:

H. F. No. 193, A bill for an act relating to property taxes; limiting contributions to the areawide tax base; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 473F.07, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 473F.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Mulder, Fuller, Goodno, Jennings, Juhnke, Dorn, Bradley and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 194, A bill for an act relating to the MinnesotaCare tax; excluding ambulance services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 295.50, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 295.52, subdivision 5.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Huntley, Carlson, Pelowski, Opatz, Kelliher, Winter, Bernardy, Lieder and Skoe introduced:

H. F. No. 195, A bill for an act relating to higher education; funding academic initiatives and investments at the University of Minnesota; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance.

Carlson; Opatz; Pelowski; Dorn; Johnson, R.; Kelliher; Marquart; Winter; Schumacher; Peterson; Luther; Jennings; Bernardy; Skoe; Kalis; Johnson, S.; Hilstrom; Pugh and Leighton introduced:

H. F. No. 196, A bill for an act relating to higher education; funding academic initiatives and investments at Minnesota state colleges and universities; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance.

Bishop, Sviggum, Pugh, Kahn, Rhodes, Howes and Mares introduced:

H. F. No. 197, A bill for an act relating to communications; appropriating money for grants to noncommercial television.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

McElroy; Cassell; Molnau; Anderson, B.; Sykora; Wilkin; Jacobson and Milbert introduced:

H. F. No. 198, A bill for an act relating to the legislature; requiring the legislature to adopt certain rules of procedure; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Rukavina and Bakk introduced:

H. F. No. 199, A bill for an act relating to state lands; authorizing public sale of certain tax-forfeited land that borders public water in St. Louis county.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 200, A bill for an act relating to crimes; prohibiting using cellular telephones when driving a motor vehicle; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

McElroy, Cassell and Sykora introduced:

H. F. No. 201, A bill for an act relating to the legislature; providing for the size of the senate and house of representatives; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 2.021.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Jennings and Erickson introduced:

H. F. No. 202, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; prohibiting the taking of white deer; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97B.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 203, A bill for an act relating to education; providing for exceptions for Minnesota high school league classifications; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 128C.05, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Molnau, Swenson, Workman, Lieder and Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 204, A bill for an act relating to bridges; authorizing payment of engineering costs from the town bridge account; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 161.082, subdivision 2a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Policy.

Nornes, Marquart, Westerberg, Tuma and Daggett introduced:

H. F. No. 205, A bill for an act relating to crimes; requiring suspension of a driver's license for a period of one year if defendant was convicted of theft of gasoline; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 171.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Opatz and Knoblach introduced:

H. F. No. 206, A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for an after-school educational enhancement pilot program for low-income youth in the St. Cloud area.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Rifenberg, Pelowski and Davids introduced:

H. F. No. 207, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the maximum supplemental benefit payable to volunteer firefighters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 424A.10, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Workman; Clark, J.; Molnau; Kuisle; Marko; Holberg; Westrom; Howes; Ruth; Lieder; Larson; Juhnke; Winter; Kalis; Westerberg and Vandever introduced:

H. F. No. 208, A resolution urging authorization of funding for modernization of waterways.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Policy.

Hackbarth; Schumacher; Ozment; Olson; Dempsey; Kielkucki; Smith; Juhnke; Osthoff; Holberg; Anderson, B.; Westrom; Kuisle; Larson; Milbert; Otremba; Boudreau; Abeler; Swenson; Finseth; Holsten; Rukavina; Harder; Daggett; Workman; Howes; Eastlund; Sviggum; Pawlenty; Erickson; Bakk and Jennings introduced:

H. F. No. 209, A bill for an act relating to local government; preserving shooting ranges from planning and zoning laws and ordinances; limiting net loss of shooting ranges and providing for relocation costs; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 87A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs.

Peterson, Finseth, Westrom, Skoe and Ness introduced:

H. F. No. 210, A bill for an act relating to waters; modifying provisions relating to drainage system permits; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103E.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Ozment, Kalis, Lieder, Molnau and Swenson introduced:

H. F. No. 211, A bill for an act relating to local government; providing reimbursement to fire departments for expenses incurred in extinguishing certain motor vehicle fires; providing cities and towns authority to collect unpaid bills for certain emergency services from nonresidents; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 161.465; 366.011; and 366.012.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs.

Gleason and Dibble introduced:

H. F. No. 212, A bill for an act relating to property taxation; airport property; attaching the territory of Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport to special school district No. 1; eliminating the school district property tax exemption for the St. Paul intermediate airport; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 473.625.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Mulder and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 213, A bill for an act relating to professions; repealing the infectious disease education requirement for physician assistants; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 147A.25.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Anderson, B.; Erickson; Walz and Gleason introduced:

H. F. No. 214, A bill for an act relating to the military; increasing allowable tuition reimbursement for national guard members; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 192.501, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Peterson, Kubly, Rifenberg, Davids, Hilty, Bakk, Lieder and Skoe introduced:

H. F. No. 215, A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; appropriating money to commissioner of public safety to retain present state driver examination stations.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance.

Bernardy; Greiling; Goodwin; McGuire; Evans; Johnson, S., and Davnie introduced:

H. F. No. 216, A bill for an act relating to education finance; establishing permanent funding for gifted and talented programs as a component of general education revenue; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 126C.10, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Peterson and Seifert introduced:

H. F. No. 217, A bill for an act relating to water; appropriating money for the LQP-25/Lazarus Creek floodwater retention project.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance.

Krinkie and Kielkucki introduced:

H. F. No. 218, A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for the general legislative and administrative expenses of state government; modifying provisions relating to state government operations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 3.305, by adding subdivisions; and 16A.06, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 16B.37; 16B.88; 240A.08; 394.232; 462.3535; 465.795; 465.796; 465.797; 465.7971; 465.798; 465.799; 465.801; 465.802; 465.803; 465.83; 465.87; 465.88; 473.1455; 572A.01; and 572A.03, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Sertich; Rukavina; Anderson, I.; Bakk; Davids; Solberg and Pugh introduced:

H. F. No. 219, A resolution requesting a ban on the importation of certain steel products.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Jobs and Economic Development.

Peterson, Davids, Seifert, Sviggum and Harder introduced:

H. F. No. 220, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; providing grants and property tax incentives to motor fuel retailers who install E85 pumps and equipment; requiring the state to buy and operate E85 vehicles when they are available; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 273.11, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16C and 41A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Koskinen; Luther; Paymar; Clark, K., and Biernat introduced:

H. F. No. 221, A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring coverage for certain eyeglasses and hearing aids; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 62E.06, subdivision 1; and 62L.05, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Koskinen, Luther, Evans, Bernardy and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 222, A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing the income limit for the prescription drug program; shortening the timeline for the enrollment of disabled individuals; providing a higher burial exclusion; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 256.955, subdivisions 2a, 2b, and by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 223, A bill for an act relating to elections; changing limitation on the exclusive use of a major political party name; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 202A.11, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 224, A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for the Big Bear Country Education Center.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Jobs and Economic Development.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 225, A bill for an act relating to education; providing for a swimming pool levy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 126C.45.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 226, A bill for an act relating to education; providing for revenue for transportation for staff development; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 122A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Ness, Juhnke, Solberg, Erickson, Kielkucki, Fuller, Dorman, Kubly, Hilty, Seifert, Skoe, Daggett, Nornes, Cassell, Finseth, Swenson, Entenza, Schumacher, Mares, Biernat, Dorn, Olson, Penas, Abeler, Hackbarth, Osskopp, Dehler, Murphy and Otremba introduced:

H. F. No. 227, A bill for an act relating to education finance; reinstating categorical transportation funding; modifying nonpublic transportation aid; adding bus purchase aid; adding excess fuel cost adjustment aid; modifying transportation sparsity formula; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 123B.92, subdivisions 1, 9, and by adding subdivisions; 125A.76, subdivision 2; and 126C.10, subdivision 18; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123B.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 228, A bill for an act relating to education; providing for revenue for remedial instruction for students who do not receive passing scores on the Minnesota basic skills tests; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Gray; Walker; Mariani; Clark, K., and Mahoney introduced:

H. F. No. 229, A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for the teen pregnancy prevention program.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Bernardy; Goodwin; Anderson, I.; Mahoney and Johnson, S., introduced:

H. F. No. 230, A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting certain income earned for service in the armed forces from taxation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 290.01, subdivision 19b.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Clark, K.; Davnie; Dibble and Walker introduced:

H. F. No. 231, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for a feasibility study of a bridge to carry the Midtown Greenway over the Hiawatha Avenue corridor.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Policy.

Clark, K.; Dibble; Stanek; Walker; Tuma and Smith introduced:

H. F. No. 232, A bill for an act relating to crime prevention; appropriating money for grants related to restorative justice programs.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Fuller, Pelowski, Mulder, Peterson, Davids, Juhnke, Dorn, Bradley and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 233, A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting ambulance services from motor fuel taxation; making technical corrections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 296A.07, subdivision 4; 296A.08, subdivision 3; and 297A.68, subdivision 19.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Goodwin; Entenza; Rhodes; Walker; Greiling; Thompson; Johnson, S.; Gray; Kelliher; Evans; Johnson, R.; Gleason; Schumacher; Marquart and Lieder introduced:

H. F. No. 234, A bill for an act relating to legislature; modifying the definition of a legislative day; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 3.012.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Rukavina, Solberg, Sertich, Bakk and Gunther introduced:

H. F. No. 235, A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing targeted funding for the Minnesota investment fund; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Jobs and Economic Development.

Mulder, Harder, Winter and Seifert introduced:

H. F. No. 236, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating general fund money for the Lewis and Clark rural water project and canceling the 2000 appropriation from the bond proceeds fund for the project.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Skoglund introduced:

H. F. No. 237, A bill for an act relating to crime prevention; expanding the scope of the DNA analysis law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 609.117.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Skoglund and Stanek introduced:

H. F. No. 238, A bill for an act relating to crime; increasing the presumptive penalty for criminal sexual conduct in the second degree; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 609.343, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Lipman, Smith, Kuisle, Leighton and Pugh introduced:

H. F. No. 239, A bill for an act relating to real property; clarifying law relating to servitudes created by a common owner of multiple pieces of property; providing for filing of an amended application to register land; authorizing attorney general to represent state in certain torrens proceedings; providing for issuance of certificates of title for common elements in a condominium; permitting owners of certain land to request new certificates of title; modifying certificates of possessory title; modifying Minnesota Common Interest Ownership Act; exempting registered/torrens land from the 40 year law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 508.09; 508.16, subdivision 1; 508.421, by adding a subdivision; 508.82, subdivision 1; 508A.01, subdivision 2; 508A.08; 508A.09; 508A.10; 508A.11, subdivisions 1 and 2; 508A.17, subdivision 1; 508A.22, subdivisions 1 and 3; 508A.25; 508A.35; 508A.351, by adding subdivisions; 508A.421, by adding a subdivision; 508A.82, subdivision 1; 508A.85, subdivision 4; 515B.1-116; 515B.3-104; 515B.3-117; and 541.023, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, and by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 507; 508; and 508A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 508.71, subdivision 7; 508A.22, subdivision 2; 508A.27; and 508A.351, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law.

Rukavina; Bakk; Sertich; Anderson, I., and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 240, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for Mesabi Station on the Mesabi Trail.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 241, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; exempting portable fish houses from licensing requirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 97C.355, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 242, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; permitting the use of two angling lines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 97C.315, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

Dawkins and Smith introduced:

H. F. No. 243, A bill for an act relating to trusts; making changes to the uniform principal and income act; simplifying the antilapse law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 144.225, subdivision 7; 501B.60, by adding a subdivision; 501B.61, subdivision 2; 501B.62, subdivision 1; 501B.63, subdivision 2; 501B.64; 501B.68; 501B.69; and 524.6-301; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 501B; and 524; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 501B.66; 501B.70; and 524.2-603.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law.

Solberg; Kubly; Anderson, I.; Gleason; Bakk; Lieder; Marquart; Skoe; Sertich; Leighton; Pugh and Otremba introduced:

H. F. No. 244, A bill for an act relating to health; repealing MinnesotaCare provider taxes; requiring pass-through of savings to purchasers; providing for disposition of tobacco settlement money; providing for contingent repeal of the health care access fund; providing civil penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 62Q.095, subdivision 6; 214.16, subdivisions 2 and 3; 270B.01, subdivision 8; and 270B.14, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 62Q; and 256L; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 13.4967, subdivision 3; 16A.76; 144.1484, subdivision 2; 256L.02, subdivision 3; 295.50; 295.51; 295.52; 295.53; 295.54; 295.55; 295.56; 295.57; 295.58; 295.582; and 295.59.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

Juhnke and Kubly introduced:

H. F. No. 245, A bill for an act relating to civil commitment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 253B.03, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 246, A bill for an act relating to elections; eliminating precinct caucuses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 202A.156; and 202A.192; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 202A.14; 202A.15; 202A.155; 202A.16; 202A.18; 202A.19; and 202A.20.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 247, A bill for an act relating to education; providing funding for all-day kindergarten; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 126C.05, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on K-12 Education Finance.

Marko introduced:

H. F. No. 248, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying previous appropriations; requiring a grant to the city of Newport for transportation purposes; amending Laws 2000, chapter 479, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance.

Marko introduced:

H. F. No. 249, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for loan repayment from municipal state-aid street fund.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance.

Marko introduced:

H. F. No. 250, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying previous appropriations; providing for a grant from the transportation revolving loan fund; amending Laws 2000, chapter 479, article 1, section 6, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance.

Mulder introduced:

H. F. No. 251, A bill for an act relating to the city of Luverne; allowing the city to provide border development zone tax incentives; providing an allocation of state tax reductions for the city; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Lipman moved that the name of Olson be added as an author on H. F. No. 46. The motion prevailed.

Rukavina moved that the names of Swapinski and Huntley be added as authors on H. F. No. 47. The motion prevailed.

Molnau moved that the name of Thompson be added as an author on H. F. No. 57. The motion prevailed.

Luther moved that the name of Thompson be added as an author on H. F. No. 59. The motion prevailed.

Ness moved that the name of Murphy be added as an author on H. F. No. 63. The motion prevailed.

Davids moved that the name of Nornes be added as an author on H. F. No. 76. The motion prevailed.

Entenza moved that the name of Folliard be added as an author on H. F. No. 93. The motion prevailed.

McElroy moved that the name of Johnson, S., be added as an author on H. F. No. 107. The motion prevailed.

Wagenius moved that the name of Johnson, S., be added as an author on H. F. No. 110. The motion prevailed.

Erhardt moved that the names of Westerberg, Holberg, Mulder, Paymar, Paulsen and Schumacher be added as authors on H. F. No. 131. The motion prevailed.

Molnau moved that the name of Swenson be added as an author on H. F. No. 140. The motion prevailed.

Mulder moved that the names of Cassell and Harder be added as authors on H. F. No. 141. The motion prevailed.

Paulsen moved that the names of Dorman and Mulder be added as authors on H. F. No. 148. The motion prevailed.

Bakk moved that the names of Swapinski and Huntley be added as authors on H. F. No. 157. The motion prevailed.

Anderson, I., moved that the name of Mulder be added as an author on H. F. No. 159. The motion prevailed.

Nornes moved that the name of Erickson be added as an author on H. F. No. 174. The motion prevailed.

Ozment moved that the name of Paymar be added as an author on H. F. No. 175. The motion prevailed.

Fuller moved that H. F. No. 136 be recalled from the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance. The motion prevailed.

Anderson, I., moved that H. F. No. 155 be returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

PROTEST AND DISSENT

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 11, of the Minnesota Constitution, we the undersigned members of the Minnesota House of Representatives register our protest and dissent regarding actions of Speaker of the House Steve Sviggum in flagrant violation of House Rule 6.02.

House Rule 6.02 states in pertinent part,

"The Speaker-designate must prescribe the number of minority caucus members to be appointed to each committee and may require general membership guidelines to be followed in the selection of committee members."

"If the minority leader submits to the Speaker-designate, at least 15 days before the start of the session, a list of proposed committee assignments for the minority caucus that complies with the numbers and guidelines provided, the Speaker must make the proposed assignments with the purpose of attaining proportionate representation on the committees for the minority caucus."

We believe Speaker Sviggum violated the requirements of Rule 6.02 by:

* Willfully and arbitrarily changing 64 committee assignments for members of the minority caucus recommended by the Minority Leader, those recommendations having been properly made according to House Rules;

*Failing to deliver to the Minority Leader in a timely manner an accurate count of the number of minority caucus members to be appointed to each committee, thereby reserving to himself the appointment of minority caucus members to certain committees, in violation of House Rules;

* Willfully and arbitrarily altering the committee assignments of minority caucus members without regard to proportionate representation for each caucus, as required by House Rules;

* Failing to deliver to the Minority Leader any guidelines for the selection of minority caucus members to the several committees, as required by House Rules, and creating an arbitrary set of guidelines after the fact, which were then used to justify his violations of House Rule 6.02.

Rule 6.02 exists to assure that the minority caucus has a controlling role, subject only to the Speaker's express guidelines, in making committee assignments for its own members. The unprecedented wholesale changes in recommended appointments, in violation of both rule and custom, constitute a conscious and deliberate attempt by the Speaker to circumvent the guarantees of Rule 6.02 to the detriment of the members of the minority (DFL) caucus, the Minnesota House of Representatives and all citizens of the State of Minnesota.

Signed:

TOM PUGH
MATT ENTENZA
SHARON MARKO

NEVA WALKER
DOUG PETERSON
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PHYLLIS KAHN	ALICE HAUSMAN
TED WINTER	JEAN WAGENIUS
ROB LEIGHTON	ANDY DAWKINS
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CARLOS MARIANI	ALAN R. JUHNKE
BOB MILBERT	GARY W. KUBLY
LOREN A. SOLBERG	JIM DAVNIE
MARK S. GLEASON	JOE MULLERY
LUANNE S. KOSKINEN	BILL HILTY
KAREN CLARK	THOMAS BAKK
MARY ELLEN OTREMBA	DARLENE LUTHER

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the following appointments and changes in committee assignments:

Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy: Delete the name of Dibble and add the name of Kahn.

State Government Finance: Delete the name of Dibble and add the name of Kahn.

Transportation Policy: Delete the name of Kahn and add the name of Dibble.

Ways and Means: Delete the name of Kahn and add the name of Dibble.

ADJOURNMENT

Pawlenty moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 3:00 p.m., Monday, January 22, 2001. The motion prevailed.

Pawlenty moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 3:00 p.m., Monday, January 22, 2001.

EDWARD A. BURDICK, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives