COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT AND NOT ACTED UPON

The following communication was received prior to adjournment and was not reported or acted upon by the House:

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

April 12, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 45, H. F. No. 414 (with the exception of page 2, section 2, lines 8 to 23). This letter also announces the first line item veto of my administration, and I am writing today to explain my rationale and to enlist the cooperation of the Legislature to work together to address the needs of Minnesota farmers with a strategic omnibus farm relief package.

There is no question that Minnesota must join the 35 states that have eradicated pseudorabies. Recognizing the plight of Minnesota's hog farmers and how the recent outbreak of pseudorabies makes a bad hog economy even worse, I support appropriating \$1,255,000 to the Board of Animal Health to provide reimbursement for pseudorabies vaccinations. It is my hope that this action will provide much needed help to Minnesota hog farmers as well as demonstrate to neighboring states that Minnesota is aggressively addressing this problem.

However, I have line item vetoed the \$245,000 appropriation to provide about 500 farmers with assistance in making application for spring operating loans. In my view, all such relief proposals belong in an omnibus bill, especially now that the legislative process has already taken too long to ensure adequate and timely financing application assistance to farmers for this planting season.

I understand the conferees are meeting to negotiate a \$70 million farm relief package. The Departments of Finance, Revenue and Agriculture stand ready to evaluate the proposals according to my budget principles to ensure that targeted relief assists those truly in need, and that other important programs, like loan assistance, can occur within that \$70 million ceiling. It remains my hope that this legislature can still embrace a multi-year program instead of spending all the relief in this next year, as most surely the farm crisis is far from over. However, my commitment to the \$70 million amount remains in good faith, and I look forward to signing a complete package of relief for farmers in the very near future.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVED SUBSEQUENT TO ADJOURNMENT

The following communications and announcements were received subsequent to adjournment by the House:

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 17, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House File:

H. F. No. 718, relating to professions; regulating advanced practice registered nursing.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1999 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 1999	Date Filed 1999
1605		166	4:30 p.m. May 17	May 17
2038		168	4:32 p.m. May 17	May 17

2052		169	4:35 p.m. May 17	May 17
84		170	4:36 p.m. May 17	May 17
1094		171	4:38 p.m. May 17	May 17
	718	172	4:39 p.m. May 17	May 17
768		173	4:41 p.m. May 17	May 17

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 18, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House Files:

H. F. No. 1607, relating to peace officers; authorizing federally recognized tribes to exercise concurrent criminal jurisdictional authority with the local sheriff within the geographical boundaries of the tribe's reservation; establishing requirements for the exercise of such authority.

H. F. No. 621, relating to public safety; adding various arson definitions relating to flammability; imposing penalties on students who use ignition devices inside educational buildings.

H. F. No. 837, relating to insurance; regulating insurers, agents, and coverages; modifying reporting requirements; regulating the rehabilitation and liquidation of insurers; modifying certain notice and disclosure provisions; modifying certain definitions; making technical changes.

H. F. No. 7, relating to the environment; providing for the termination of the motor vehicle emissions testing program by March 1, 2000, or earlier.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

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S.F. No.	H.F. No.	Session Laws Chapter No.	Time and Date Approved 1999	Date Filed 1999
615		174	4:15 p.m. May 18	May 18
	1607	175	4:18 p.m. May 18	May 18
	621	176	4:19 p.m. May 18	May 18
	837	177	4:20 p.m. May 18	May 18
	7	178	4:22 p.m. May 18	May 18

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

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		Time and					
S.F.	H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed			
No.	No.	Chapter No.	1999	1999			
1329		179	4:10 p.m. May 19	May 19			
1572		180	4:14 p.m. May 19	May 19			
841		181	4:12 p.m. May 19	May 19			

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Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 21, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House Files:

H. F. No. 1024, relating to tax-exempt bond allocations; providing for certain eligibility, scoring system, income and purchase price limits, and reservation of authority.

H. F. No. 726, relating to capital improvements; providing standards for state assistance to capital improvement projects of political subdivisions.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1999 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 1999	Date Filed 1999
233		184	10:02 a.m. May 21	May 21
1204		185	10:05 a.m. May 21	May 21
851		186	10:08 a.m. May 21	May 21
2044		187	10:10 a.m. May 21	May 21
891		188	10:13 a.m. May 21	May 21
	1024	189	10:15 a.m. May 21	May 21
1093		190	10:16 a.m. May 21	May 21
1639		191	10:18 a.m. May 21	May 21
	726	192	10:20 a.m. May 21	May 21

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

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Time and					
H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed		
No.	Chapter No.	1999	1999		
	193	9:34 a.m. May 24	May 24		
	194	9:35 a.m. May 24	May 24		
	196	9:47 a.m. May 24	May 24		
	197	9:36 a.m. May 24	May 24		
	198	10:02 a.m. May 24	May 24		
		No. Chapter No. 193 194 196 197	H.F. No. Session Laws Chapter No. Date Approved 1999 193 9:34 a.m. May 24 194 9:35 a.m. May 24 196 9:47 a.m. May 24 197 9:36 a.m. May 24		

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 24, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House Files:

H. F. No. 2425, relating to landlord and tenant; recodifying the landlord and tenant law.

H. F. No. 1940, relating to utilities; modifying requirements for renewable energy development funding; specifying that certain required expenditures are recoverable; providing a siting preference for certain wind energy facilities.

H. F. No. 14, relating to education; providing that a person convicted of child abuse or sexual abuse is ineligible to be licensed as a teacher; providing for reconsideration in cases of reversal by a court or issuance of a pardon.

H. F. No. 1079, relating to liquor; authorizing the city of Minneapolis to issue on-sale licenses; authorizing the city of St. Paul to issue an on-sale license; authorizing the commissioner of public safety to issue an additional on-sale license; extending the tour boat liquor license season; authorizing St. Paul to issue a temporary license for the sale of beer on the grounds of the state capitol in connection with the Twin Cities Marathon; modifying wine shipment requirements; allowing use of passports for proof of age; authorizing the city of International Falls to issue a temporary on-sale liquor license; authorizing the city of St. Paul to issue temporary intoxicating liquor licenses to Macalester college; authorizing the cities of Proctor, Marshall, Detroit Lakes, Eden Prairie, Bemidji, and Stillwater to issue additional on-sale licenses; exempting temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses at the Minneapolis Convention Center from certain restrictions.

H. F. No. 595, relating to storage tanks; imposing a specific standard of proof for certain petrofund reimbursement reductions; providing reimbursement for certain bulk petroleum plants upgrading or closing aboveground storage tanks; modifying application requirements for contamination; cleanup grants; regulating the cleanup of contaminated land; specifying the marking required on petroleum product storage tanks; modifying the application of the Fire Code to tanks; providing an exception.

H. F. No. 1825, relating to gambling; allowing a class B licensee of a class A racetrack to conduct card club activities; expanding the use of pull-tab dispensing machines; making technical changes; setting forth conduct of raffles; modifying progressive bingo prizes; specifying maximum tipboard prizes.

H. F. No. 1289, relating to crime prevention; increasing the criminal penalty for providing alcoholic beverages to underage persons under certain circumstances.

H. F. No. 1494, relating to corrections; modifying the law prohibiting inmates from bringing actions to challenge the level of expenditures for rehabilitation programs and the law related to sanctions for frivolous or malicious claims.

H. F. No. 346, relating to courts; requiring disclosure of contracting arrangements for freelance court reporting services; regulating certain services.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

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S.F.	H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed
No.	No.	Chapter No.	1999	1999
	2425	199	9:54 a.m. May 24	May 24
	1940	200	10:04 a.m. May 24	May 24
	14	201	10:07 a.m. May 24	May 24
	1079	202	9:37 a.m. May 24	May 24
	595	203	10:05 a.m. May 24	May 24
	1825	206	9:51 a.m. May 24	May 24
	1289	207	9:41 a.m. May 24	May 24
	1494	208	9:42 a.m. May 24	May 24
171		209	10:05 a.m. May 24	May 24
1099		210	9:55 a.m. May 24	May 24
1821		211	9:55 a.m. May 24	May 24
148		212	10:06 a.m. May 24	May 24
1485		213	9:44 a.m. May 24	May 24
	346	215	9:45 a.m. May 24	May 24
1404		217	9:46 a.m. May 24	May 24
441		218	9:46 a.m. May 24	May 24
346		219	9:56 a.m. May 24	May 24
145		220	10:40 a.m. May 24	May 24
1721		221	9:58 a.m. May 24	May 24

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

After lengthy consultation with the commissioners of Agriculture and Pollution Control Agency, the Environmental Quality Board, farmers, and legislators in the House and Senate, which have given me all sides of the issue, I have vetoed and am returning to you Chapter Number 204, H. F. No. 1235, a bill relating to regulatory requirements for feedlots.

The administration supported the original purpose of this bill to provide farmers with a limited exemption from hydrogen sulfide standards while they cleaned out their manure facilities during a certain number of days per year. This type of flexibility is both crucial and realistic, and I appreciate the work of this bill's authors on behalf of Minnesota farmers. Until the final feedlot rules are adopted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, I am directing the Commissioner of the MPCA to use discretionary authority when appropriate and reasonable with regard to hydrogen sulfide enforcement during the agitation and pump out of manure storage facilities. I am recommending that farmers be allowed a period not less than 14 days per year, as was allowed in the House version of this bill, and not more than 21 days per year, as was allowed in the Senate version of this bill. This authority is found in Minnesota Statutes Chapters 115 and 116.

Most significantly, I am insisting that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency work with the Department of Agriculture and Environmental Quality Board (EQB) to end an era of divisiveness and disagreement over regulation of farms. It is my job, as the chief executive of the State, to ensure that these agencies find common ground in the best interests of the people they regulate and the general public who shares an interest in a strong agricultural economy and wise conservation of natural resources. It is clear that the Legislature also shares this concern.

In all cases, it is important that we involve the citizenry and respect their right to have a voice in rule-making and legislation. Because I believe it is important to respect the year-long process to involve citizens in establishing rules for feedlots, this veto is necessary to avoid a full repeal of those efforts. I am advised that the final version of this bill makes significant changes to state law that were not discussed or debated in environment committees of either legislative body. Open debate is healthy and necessary as we move forward to reform the way state government enforces rules such as these.

Rest assured that I recognize the burdens of rules on the people and on businesses, including farms. However, without any rules to guide enforcement, farmers are vulnerable to the arbitrary judgments of state regulators instead of a known set of criteria. In vetoing this bill, I am directing the aforementioned regulatory agencies, working in cooperation with the Department of Agriculture and my office, to take additional, specific actions to clarify those criteria:

- 1. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency should review its guidelines for determining when to require air quality modeling in association with the preparation of Environmental Assessment Worksheets so that the process makes sense and isn't overly costly to farmers.
- 2. I have asked the EQB to review its proposed rule to determine if the 300 animal unit threshold applied in sensitive areas should be raised.

3. The Environmental Quality Board Chair, working with the representatives of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Department of Agriculture, shall develop an alternative Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) that would be used when preparing an EAW on new or expanded feedlot projects. This alternative worksheet shall be designed to expedite the preparation time and minimize the costs associated with preparing the EAW. This alternative worksheet shall not, however, reduce the amount and quality of information necessary to accurately determine if a project has the potential for significant environmental effects.

In summary, the best outcome will be achieved by these agencies working together, becoming more aware of the needs of the agricultural industry they regulate, and pledging better communication during the remainder of the rule-making process with interested legislative leaders in both agriculture and the environment.

Thanks to legislative action this past session, I am also afforded veto authority over final rules or severable parts of rules. Should this process fail to deliver a constructive outcome that helps us achieve the results we seek for farmers and those concerned about the environment, I will not hesitate to exercise this check and balance.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

[NOTE: Pursuant to Joint Rule 3.02(c), the above vetoed bill, H. F. No. 1235 (Chapter Number 204), which was returned to the House by the Governor with his objections was laid on the table.]

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 205, H. F. No. 1467, a bill appropriating money for family and early childhood programs, with the following exceptions:

Page 67, article 4, section 12, subdivision 3, lines 30 to 32 Page 67, article 4, section 12, subdivision 3, lines 33 to 36 Page 68, article 4, section 12, subdivision 3, lines 1 to 6 Page 69, article 4, section 12, subdivision 11, lines 30 to 36 Page 70, article 4, section 12, subdivision 11, line 1

In my budget, I recommend that state agencies have the flexibility to serve their statewide purpose. The following programs: \$50,000 each year for Kids Capacity Initiative, \$25,000 for the biennium for Perspectives, Inc., and \$25,000 per year for the Meadowbrook Collaborative Housing Project are meritorious projects, however, I prefer these organizations to go through the competitive grant process developed by the Department of Children, Families and Learning. For this reason I have vetoed these appropriations.

I have also vetoed \$75,000 per year for GED on TV. This appropriation provides a specific grant to one organization with limited statewide impact. While assisting Minnesotans to receive their GED is an important function, this bill already provides over \$42.6 million dollars for Adult Basic Education services.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 214, H. F. No. 2380, a bill appropriating money for higher education, with the following exceptions:

Page 7, article 1, section 3, subdivision 3, lines 33 to 50 (\$100,000 appropriation from the health care access fund to MnSCU for tuition waivers for employees of health care or human services employers participating in a new program enacted in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill). I am vetoing this appropriation for three reasons.

First, I do not support creating a new spending program from the health care access fund.

Second, the waivers are not broadly available to all workers employed in entry-level direct care human services or health care jobs, only to those who attend a MnSCU institution and whose employer participates in the new state program.

Finally, I believe that our higher education systems need to become more responsive to changing job market conditions. Instead of legislatively creating special programs every second year, I want our postsecondary schools to develop an ongoing structure and strategy that uses their flexibility to identify emerging education and training needs, and then market those classes to potential students.

Page 9, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4, lines 44 to 52 (a one-time appropriation in the amount of \$250,000 from the lottery prize fund to the University of Minnesota for research, clinical work, treatment, or teaching related to compulsive gambling addiction). I simply do not support spending public dollars for such an open-ended proposal when there are numerous existing studies and other ways to fund such research.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 223, H. F. No. 2390, a bill appropriating money for economic development, with the following exceptions:

Page 6, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, lines 54 to 56 (\$300,000 for Owatonna infrastructure improvements). This is a reimbursement for a commitment made by a local unit of government for infrastructure associated with an economic development project. Reimbursement after the fact for this local decision is not an acceptable way to consider commitments by the state.

Page 11, article 1, section 4, subdivision 2, lines 2 to 18 (\$126,000 the first year and \$126,000 the second year for grants to Advocating Change Together, Inc.). This non-profit organization already receives funding from the Department of Economic Security, and duplicates the services of existing programs.

Page 12, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4, lines 4 to 7 (\$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year for grants to St. Paul's District 5 Planning Council). This project received funding as a pilot program in 1997 and provides very localized benefit. It should compete with other projects for state funds.

Page 22, article 1, section 14, lines 11 to 15 (\$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year for operation of the Labor Interpretive Center). I have been clear in my position that any exhibit commemorating the role of labor in the state is more appropriately coordinated through an exhibit of the Minnesota Historical Society, instead of a stand alone facility.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House Files:

H. F. No. 1778, relating to telecommunications; providing for telecommunications pricing plans for state government under oversight of public utilities commission; correcting a repealer.

H. F. No. 1195, relating to landlords and tenants; providing for certain eviction records to be sealed; modifying requirements for tenant screening reports in the second and fourth judicial districts.

H. F. No. 1621, relating to the environment; modifying provisions relating to judicial review of agency decisions; modifying requirements for incinerator monitors.

H. F. No. 1932, relating to insurance; regulating rental vehicle coverages.

H. F. No. 1015, relating to elections; providing for redistricting.

H. F. No. 420, relating to the city of Brooklyn Park; authorizing its economic development authority to exercise housing improvement powers and issue bonds.

H. F. No. 1426, relating to health; modifying well notification fees; modifying provisions for grants to rural hospitals and community health centers; modifying student loan repayment provisions for health professionals.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 240, H. F. No. 2205, a bill relating to capital improvements, with the exception of the provisions listed on the attachment to this letter.

My administration is committed to capital budget reform principles that direct major capital budgets and bonding bills to be adopted in legislative sessions of even-numbered years, with consideration of emergency-only bonding bills in the odd-numbered years. For that reason, I instructed my agencies to make difficult budget decisions about living within available resources and proposed no bonding bill in 1999. I have concerns with several items in the 1999 bonding bill.

First, projects funded in the odd-numbered years must meet strict criteria as emergency items with no other available financing alternatives in order to be funded with bonds backed by statewide taxes. Projects that are less than emergencies should wait for consideration until the 2000 legislative session, when they can be reviewed and prioritized against competing requests.

Second, state agencies and political subdivisions should fund their projects to the fullest extent possible before requesting additional state assistance. For example, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) received an appropriation of \$43 million in the 1998 bonding bill for asset preservation purposes. Significant portions of this appropriation have not been encumbered or spent. The MnSCU board should utilize their 1998 appropriation for its highest and best use by reprioritizing projects based on urgency. Important, but less urgent, projects can be reconsidered during the 2000 capital budget process.

Additionally, bonding projects should be prioritized according to statewide need. It is not appropriate to include items that should be funded at the local level when items of statewide importance are left out of the bill. Local self-reliance should be the primary method of funding local projects. Political subdivisions must accept the fact that the state is not responsible for and cannot fund all requests. This is not meant to diminish the value of local projects. It is a reminder, however, of the principle that each level of government bears responsibility for providing certain primary services to the public.

Finally, the bonding reauthorizations for the Labor Interpretive Center effectively represent new appropriations. I have vetoed those reauthorizations consistent with my other actions on this issue.

Based on these concerns, I cannot in good conscience allow certain projects to go forward at this time.

The following items in Chapter Number 240, H. F. No. 2205, have been line item vetoed:

Page 2, article 1, section 2, all subdivisions, lines 20 to 41 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, \$11,080,000

Page 4, article 1, section 7, all subdivisions, lines 5 to 24 Board of Water and Soil Resources, \$2,375,000

Page 5, article 1, section 8, subdivision 4, lines 1 to 15 Administration, World War II Veterans Memorial, \$150,000

Page 5, article 1, section 9, subdivision 2, lines 20 to 48 Transportation, Local Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation, \$10,000,000

Page 6, article 1, section 9, subdivision 4, lines 6 to 14 Transportation, Transportation Revolving Fund, \$10,000,000

Page 8, article 1, section 14, lines 19 to 26 Labor History Center, Bond Reauthorizations, \$613,453.29

Page 20, article 3, section 1, lines 1 to 25 Minnesota Minerals 21st Century Fund, \$20,000,000

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1999 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:

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S.F.	H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed
No.	No.	Chapter No.	1999	1999
746**		195		May 25
	1467 *	205	3:45 p.m. May 25	May 25
	2380 *	214	3:41 p.m. May 25	May 25
	2390 *	223	3:43 p.m. May 25	May 25
685		224	11:28 a.m. May 25	May 25
1831		225	11:40 a.m. May 25	May 25
369		226	11:45 a.m. May 25	May 25
653		227	3:38 p.m. May 25	May 25
	1778	228	11:26 a.m. May 25	May 25
	1195	229	11:41 a.m. May 25	May 25
1762		230	11:31 a.m. May 25	May 25
709		232	2:32 p.m. May 25	May 25
174		233	11:42 a.m. May 25	May 25
1262		234	11:43 a.m. May 25	May 25
	1621	235	11:44 a.m. May 25	May 25
	1932	236	11:34 a.m. May 25	May 25
	1015	237	2:30 p.m. May 25	May 25
1219		239	11:50 a.m. May 25	May 25
	2205 *	240	4:20 p.m. May 25	May 25
333		244	11:45 a.m. May 25	May 25
	420	246	11:36 a.m. May 25	May 25
	1426	247	11:46 a.m. May 25	May 25
1876		248	11:37 a.m. May 25	May 25
2224		249	11:47 a.m. May 25	May 25

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

[NOTE: * Indicates line-item veto.]

[NOTE: ** S. F. No. 746 became law without the Governor's signature.]

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 238, H. F. No. 2387, a bill relating to transportation, with the following exceptions:

Page 8, article 1, section 2, subdivision 7, lines 40 to 58 (\$6,000,000 for additional maintenance workers). This funding was neither requested by the department nor recommended in my budget. By including this item, the legislature was in effect negotiating with the state work force and intruding into the operating affairs of the executive branch.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 241, H. F. No. 2333, with the following exceptions:

Page 90, article 2, section 60, subdivision 20, lines 5 to 9 (\$300,000 the first year for adolescent parenting grants). Funds for this program are also in the Family and Early Childhood bill, a more appropriate place for this funding.

Page 135, article 5, section 18, subdivision 10, lines 12 to 23 (\$145,000 the first year and \$175,000 the second year for the Minnesota Talented Youth Math Project). With the increased funding being made available for K-12 education, school districts that are working in cooperative ventures should be able to fund this and other similar projects. I appreciate the efforts of the Legislature to reserve state funding for statewide needs or purposes and for those few programs without a local funding source.

Page 146, article 6, section 14, subdivision 8, lines 7 to 16 (\$50,000 the first yeart for a magnet school grant to plan for an urban agricultural high school). I do not want to begin capital planning for an additional magnet school until a metro-wide plan has thoroughly examined the future development of these schools and the need for an urban agricultural high school specifically.

Page 200, article 9, section 53, subdivision 2, lines 4 to 11 (\$100,000 for a new teacher training improvement pilot program). I am vetoing this appropriation because I believe it is the responsibility of our higher education institutions to identify best practices and incorporate such methods into the training of our teachers. It also is time for our higher education systems to respond to the changing needs and expectations of the students who are their customers and the community businesses and institutions that will employ these students.

In closing, I will add my belief that the \$50 million contingent appropriation in this bill should be used to fully fund my class-size reduction initiative instead of adding it to the formula allowance. Smaller classes get results, and if the funds are available in the November forecast, they should be used to reduce class sizes by funding licensed classroom teachers.

I will also caution school districts to plan their budgets based on the enacted formula, not based on a contingent appropriation. Districts must be careful when negotiating teacher settlements to rely on ongoing resources that districts are certain to have. To those districts that have expressed support for programs that previously had categorical appropriations, I will remind them that they have every opportunity to fund those classroom curricula or services from their general education allocations, and should do so.

I also expect the few pilot projects that do receive state funding this biennium to be evaluated for their effectiveness. For the next budget period, they should either find replacement sources of funding, or be incorporated into existing agency budgets when their pilot period is ended, if they are deemed worthy of continued existence.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 243, H. F. No. 2420, a bill relating to taxes, with the following exception:

Page 190, article 8, section 7, lines 19 to 25.

This provision appropriates \$54 million in FY 2000/01 and \$30.9 million in FY 2002 to the Health Care Access Fund from the general fund to compensate for the health care provider tax freeze at 1.5 percent. While I support maintaining the rate at 1.5 percent at this time, I do not believe it is appropriate to subsidize these programs with general fund dollars.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

May 25, 1999

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 250, H. F. No. 878, a bill appropriating money for the organization and operation of state government, with the following exceptions:

Page 8, article 1, section 12, subdivision 3(a), lines 38 to 41 (\$220,000 the first year for continued intergovernmental information systems advisory council).

Page 11, article 1, section 12, subdivision 5, lines 27 to 44 (\$100,000 for bleacher safety grant funding). It is inadequate for its purpose, and the bleacher safety requirements are cost prohibitive.

Page 12, article 1, section 12, subdivision 8, lines 29 to 37 (\$113,000 for grants to noncommercial television stations). Digital TV should be provided by the private sector. This is an expansion of the state's role and is in addition to substantial support already provided by the state for public television. This conversion should be funded by non-state sources.

Page 20, article 1, section 25, lines 8 to 37 (\$4,000,000 for Ice Center grants and \$2,000,000 for Amateur Athletic Facilities and programs). This appropriation is more appropriately considered as part of a capital bonding request. I will consider it for inclusion in the 2000 capital budget.

Page 21, article 1, section 27, lines 11 to 14 (\$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year as a one-time appropriation for Motherread/Fatherread). This significant increase was not requested by the Humanities Commission, there was no demonstrated need for the increase.

To be clear about which bill will provide the appropriation for state departments during the 2000-01 biennium, I have also vetoed S. F. No. 2223.

Sincerely,

JESSE VENTURA Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1999 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:

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S.F.	H.F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed
No.	No.	Chapter No.	1999	1999
303***		106		May 18
2221 *		216	4:20 p.m. May 25	May 25
319		222	11:39 a.m. May 25	May 25
2226 *		231	2:40 p.m. May 25	May 25
	2387 *	238	3:00 p.m. May 25	May 25
	2333 *	241	4:05 p.m. May 25	May 25
	2420 *	243	2:50 p.m. May 25	May 25
2225 *		245	3:10 p.m. May 25	May 25
	878 *	250	3:50 p.m. May 25	May 25

Sincerely,

MARY KIFFMEYER Secretary of State

[NOTE: * Indicates line-item veto.]

[NOTE: *** Indicates that S. F. No. 303 (Chapter 106), was reconsidered and repassed by the Senate and House of Representatives, the objections of the Governor notwithstanding.]

DISPOSITION OF BILLS UPON ADJOURNMENT

REPORT PURSUANT TO HOUSE RULE 4.20

Pursuant to House Rule 4.20, the following bills were returned to the standing committee last acting on the bill:

H. F. No. 82 was returned to the Committee on Capital Investment.

H. F. Nos. 47, 243, 423, 448, 534, 650, 764, 792, 1056, 1098, 1222, 1267, 1535, 1555, 1646, 1668, 1704, 1787 and 1865 and S. F. Nos. 551 and 985 were returned to the Committee on Civil Law.

H. F. Nos. 62, 111, 700 and 747 and S. F. No. 690 were returned to the Committee on Commerce.

H. F. Nos. 261, 545, 665, 905, 1068, 1211, 1229, 1590 and 2060 and S. F. Nos. 76, 1002, 1120 and 1562 were returned to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

H. F. Nos. 386, 804, 953 and 973 and S. F. No. 86 were returned to the Committee on Education Policy.

H. F. Nos. 1101, 1379 and 1702 and S. F. No. 83 were returned to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy.

H. F. Nos. 122, 213, 249, 281, 441, 712, 1072 and 1591 and S. F. Nos. 60 and 1699 were returned to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Policy.

S. F. No. 807 was returned to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy.

S. F. No. 567 was returned to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development Finance.

H. F. No. 689 and S. F. Nos. 63 and 540 were returned to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development Policy.

H. F. No. 1571 was returned to the Committee on Judiciary Finance.

H. F. Nos. 313, 1273, 1276 and 1937 and S. F. No. 1279 were returned to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs.

H. F. Nos. 589, 616 and 1558 and S. F. No. 2 were returned to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

H. F. Nos. 1482 and 2352 and S. F. No. 382 were returned to the Committee on Taxes.

H. F. Nos. 556, 858 and 1196 were returned to the Committee on Transportation Policy.

H. F. Nos. 176, 343, 1180, 1388, 2105, 2388, 2404 and 2412 and S. F. No. 1288 were returned to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORT PURSUANT TO JOINT RULE 3.02(a)

Pursuant to Joint Rule 3.02(a), the following bills, which were being considered by Conference Committees at the time of adjournment, were returned to the House and laid on the table and the Conference Committees were discharged:

H. F. Nos. 15 and 2067.

REPORT PURSUANT TO JOINT RULE 3.02(c)

Pursuant to Joint Rule 3.02(c), the following bill was returned to the House by the Governor with his objections and laid on the table:

H. F. No. 1235.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the Journal of the House for Monday, May 17, 1999, including subsequent proceedings, has been corrected and is hereby approved.

EDWARD A. BURDICK, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives