

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION — 2007

 THIRD DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2007

The House of Representatives convened at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Ilene Blanche, Rivers of Living Water Christian Center, Lake City, 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	Dettmer	Heidgerken	Liebling	Olson	Slocum
Anderson, B.	Dill	Hilstrom	Lieder	Otremba	Smith
Anderson, S.	Dittrich	Hilty	Lillie	Ozment	Solberg
Anzelc	Dominguez	Hoppe	Loeffler	Paulsen	Sviggum
Atkins	Doty	Hornstein	Madore	Paymar	Swails
Beard	Eastlund	Hortman	Magnus	Pelowski	Thao
Benson	Eken	Hosch	Mahoney	Peppin	Thissen
Berns	Emmer	Howes	Mariani	Peterson, A.	Tillberry
Bigham	Erickson	Huntley	Marquart	Peterson, N.	Tingelstad
Bly	Faust	Jaros	Masin	Peterson, S.	Tschumper
Brod	Finstad	Johnson	McFarlane	Poppe	Wagenius
Brown	Fritz	Juhnke	McNamara	Rukavina	Walker
Brynaert	Gardner	Kahn	Moe	Ruth	Ward
Buesgens	Garofalo	Kalin	Morgan	Ruud	Wardlow
Bunn	Gottwalt	Knuth	Morrow	Sailer	Walti
Carlson	Greiling	Koenen	Mullery	Scalze	Westrom
Clark	Gunther	Kohls	Murphy, E.	Sertich	Winkler
Cornish	Hackbarth	Kranz	Murphy, M.	Severson	Wollschlager
Davnie	Hamilton	Laine	Nelson	Shimanski	Zellers
Dean	Hansen	Lanning	Nornes	Simon	Spk. Kelliher
DeLaForest	Hausman	Lenczewski	Norton	Simpson	
Demmer	Haws	Lesch	Olin	Slawik	

A quorum was present.

Erhardt, Holberg, Seifert and Urdahl were excused.

The Chief Clerk proceeded to read the Journals of the preceding days. Dill moved that further reading of the Journals be suspended and that the Journals be approved as corrected by the Chief Clerk. The motion prevailed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication was received:

STATE OF MINNESOTA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
SAINT PAUL 55155

January 3, 2007

The Honorable James P. Metzen
President of the Senate
The State of Minnesota

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Speaker of the House of Representatives
The State of Minnesota

Dear President Metzen and Speaker Kelliher:

I respectfully request the opportunity of addressing a joint meeting of the 85th Session of the Minnesota State Legislature on Wednesday, January 17, 2007, at 12:00 noon for the purpose of presenting my State of the State message.

Sincerely,

TIM PAWLENTY
Governor

Sertich moved that an invitation be extended to the Governor to address a Joint Convention of the House of Representatives and the Senate to be held in the House Chamber at 12:00 noon, Wednesday, January 17, 2007; that the Chief Clerk be instructed to invite the Senate by message to meet in Joint Convention to convene at 11:45 a.m.; that the Governor be advised accordingly; and that the Speaker appoint a committee of five members of the House of Representatives to act with a similar committee to be appointed by the Senate to escort the Governor to the Joint Convention. The motion prevailed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following members of the House to the committee to escort the Governor to the Joint Convention on Wednesday, January 17, 2007:

Ruud, Moe, Brynaert, Gunther and Smith.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Thissen; Morrow; Ruud; Fritz; Murphy, E.; Tingelstad; Mahoney; Ward; Morgan; Faust; Paymar; Hornstein; Murphy, M.; Peterson, A.; Solberg; Juhnke; Huntley; Marquart; Eken; Poppe; Loeffler; Dill; Carlson; Hortman; Tillberry; Lillie; Nelson; Davnie; Hilstrom; Mullery; Johnson; Doty; Kelliher and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 1, A bill for an act relating to human services; creating a children's health security account; establishing the children's health security program; specifying eligibility criteria, covered services, and administrative procedures; establishing the Legislative Task Force on Children's Health Care Coverage; requiring reports; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256N.

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

Swails; Carlson; Greiling; Paymar; Abeler; Ward; Morgan; Faust; Knuth; Hornstein; Murphy, M.; Peterson, A.; Solberg; Juhnke; Marquart; Eken; Poppe; Loeffler; Dill; Murphy, E.; Hortman; Tillberry; Lillie; Mahoney; Nelson; Ruud; Davnie; Hilstrom; Mullery; Johnson; Kelliher; Morrow; Hausman; Welti and Brynaert introduced:

H. F. No. 2, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing funding for voluntary, full-day kindergarten; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 126C.05, subdivisions 1, 15; 126C.12, subdivision 5; 126C.126.

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

Marquart; Brown; Simpson; Masin; Lenczewski; Brynaert; Olin; Laine; Kalin; Morrow; Bigham; Slocum; Doty; Ward; Hortman; Moe; Hilstrom; Norton; Loeffler; Eken; Murphy, M.; Ruud; Paymar; Peterson, A.; Kelliher; Lieder; Haws; Solberg; Juhnke; Poppe; Dill; Carlson; Murphy, E.; Tillberry and Lillie introduced:

H. F. No. 3, A bill for an act relating to property taxation; replacing certain school district levies with state; modifying computation of the credits; increasing property tax refunds for homeowners and renters; increasing eligibility for senior deferral; increasing aids to cities and counties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 123B.53, subdivision 5; 126C.01, by adding subdivisions; 126C.10, subdivisions 13a, 29; 126C.17, subdivision 6; 126C.44; 273.1384, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding subdivisions; 290A.04, subdivisions 2, 2a; 290B.03, subdivision 1; 477A.013, subdivision 9; 477A.03, subdivisions 2a, 2b, by adding a subdivision.

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

Peterson, A.; Knuth; Sailer; Ruud; Hilty; Ward; Fritz; Hornstein; Paymar; Murphy, M.; Solberg; Juhnke; Loeffler; Carlson; Murphy, E.; Hortman; Tillberry; Morrow; Lillie; Nelson; Davnie; Hilstrom; Johnson; Mullery; Doty; Kelliher and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 4, A bill for an act relating to energy; establishing renewable energy standard; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 216B.1691.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Energy Finance and Policy Division.

Bly; Slawik; Fritz; Ward; Morgan; Knuth; Paymar; Hornstein; Solberg; Juhnke; Marquart; Eken; Poppe; Loeffler; Carlson; Murphy, E.; Hortman; Tillberry; Morrow; Lillie; Mahoney; Ruud; Nelson; Davnie; Hilstrom; Johnson; Doty; Hausman; Welti; Brynaert and Sailer introduced:

H. F. No. 5, A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing funding for the early childhood family education, school readiness, and Head Start programs; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 124D.135, subdivision 1; 124D.16, subdivision 2.

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

Greiling; Carlson; Heidgerken; Faust; Hilstrom; Paymar; Peterson, A.; Fritz; Solberg; Juhnke; Marquart; Eken; Poppe; Loeffler; Dill; Murphy, E.; Hortman; Tillberry; Lillie; Mahoney; Ruud; Nelson; Davnie; Mullery; Johnson; Hausman and Sailer introduced:

H. F. No. 6, A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing the general education basic formula allowance by three percent per year; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 126C.10, subdivision 2.

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

Loeffler; Solberg; Carlson; Kahn; Ward; Morgan; Faust; Norton; Hortman; Murphy, M.; Poppe; Dill; Thissen; Murphy, E.; Tillberry; Morrow; Lillie; Mahoney; Davnie; Johnson; Hilstrom; Doty; Hausman; Welti; Brynaert; Nelson and Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 7, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing that certain appropriations continue in effect; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Wollschlager; Lenczewski; Simpson; Morgan; Faust; Ward; Knuth; Paymar; Hornstein; Murphy, M.; Fritz; Peterson, A.; Solberg; Juhnke; Marquart; Eken; Poppe; Loeffler; Dill; Carlson; Murphy, E.; Hortman; Tillberry; Morrow; Lillie; Mahoney; Nelson; Ruud; Davnie; Hilstrom; Mullery; Johnson; Doty; Kelliher and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 8, A bill for an act relating to taxation; conforming certain income, franchise, and property tax refund provisions for tax year 2006 to the federal teacher expense deduction, tuition subtraction, and other provisions of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006, the Heroes Earned Retirement Opportunity Act, and the Pension Protection Plan of 2006; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.01, subdivisions 19, 31; 290A.03, subdivision 15.

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

Juhnke, Urdahl, Welti, Heidgerken and Otremba introduced:

H. F. No. 9, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing an income and corporate franchise tax credit for qualifying investment in dairy operations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.06, by adding a subdivision.

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

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 10, A bill for an act relating to taxation; income; providing a technology credit for small business; 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.

Rukavina, Clark, Solberg, Hilty and Kahn introduced:

H. F. No. 11, A bill for an act relating to state finance; requiring the commissioner of finance to adjust for projected inflation in forecasting state expenditures; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 16A.103, subdivisions 1a, 1b.

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

Kahn, Greiling and Hornstein introduced:

H. F. No. 12, A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article V, sections 1, 2, 5; abolishing the office of lieutenant governor.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Tingelstad, Kahn, Loeffler and Peterson, N., introduced:

H. F. No. 13, A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring the Legislative Coordinating Commission to oversee legislative training forums; appropriating money; 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, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Heidgerken, Koenen, Haws, Hosch and Urdahl introduced:

H. F. No. 14, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; allowing a subtraction for military pensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.01, subdivision 19b; 290.091, subdivision 2.

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

Hilstrom and Hornstein introduced:

H. F. No. 15, A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; terminating the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 3.884; 473.246.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 16, A bill for an act relating to employment; barring certain employers from bidding on state contracts; requiring construction employers to develop and implement written safety and health plans for each construction project; providing civil and criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 182.651, by adding subdivisions; 182.66, subdivision 1; 182.666, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3; 182.667, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16C; 182.

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

Rukavina; Clark; Solberg; Anzelc; Lieder; Hilty; Mahoney; Murphy, M., and Nelson introduced:

H. F. No. 17, A bill for an act relating to state government; including the house of representatives in the public employment labor relations act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 179A.03, subdivisions 7, 15; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3.

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

Lieder, Erhardt, Olin and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 18, A bill for an act relating to transportation; allocating motor vehicle sales tax proceeds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297B.09, subdivision 1.

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

Gunther and Cornish introduced:

H. F. No. 19, A bill for an act relating to appropriations; canceling the balance of an appropriation; appropriating money for the historic preservation of the depot in the city of Wells and the Winnebago Museum.

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

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 20, A bill for an act relating to taxation; income; allowing a credit for contributions to prekindergarten scholarship granting organizations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.01, subdivision 19c; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 290.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 21, A bill for an act relating to health; providing for clinical trial registration; providing civil penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 22, A bill for an act relating to highways; designating the Walter F. Mondale Drive in Duluth; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

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

Erhardt, Lieder, Hortman, Juhnke, Hornstein and Peterson, N., introduced:

H. F. No. 23, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing county wheelage tax and providing for collection; modifying vehicle registration tax provisions; creating transit fund and accounts; establishing phase in of motor vehicle sales tax revenues to transportation; modifying motor fuel and special fuels taxes rates and providing for indexing of fuel taxes; modifying formula for distribution of county state-aid highway fund; dedicating sales tax on motor vehicle leases to transportation; authorizing local transportation sales tax; creating road user fee task force; authorizing general obligation bonding and trunk highway fund bonding; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 16A.88; 161.04, by adding a subdivision; 162.07, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 163.051; 168.011, subdivision 6; 168.013, subdivisions 1, 1a; 168.017, subdivision 3; 174.24, subdivision 1; 296A.07, subdivision 3; 296A.08, subdivision 2; 297A.815, by adding subdivisions; 297A.94; 297B.09, subdivision 1; 473.39, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 296A; 297A.

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

Dean and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 24, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; transferring administration of Boomsite Wayside; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 85.013, by adding a subdivision.

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

Anzenc introduced:

H. F. No. 25, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Itasca County infrastructure; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 26, A bill for an act relating to education; creating a unified administrative structure for early learning opportunities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 124D.02, subdivision 1.

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

Hackbarth introduced:

H. F. No. 27, A bill for an act relating to constitutional amendments; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to article XI; dedicating sales and use tax receipts equal to a rate of one-eighth of one percent on taxable sales and uses to provide angler and hunter access and to improve, preserve, or protect game

and fish habitat; creating a game and fish preservation fund; providing for a walk-in public access program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 97A.055, subdivision 4b; 297A.94; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 84.

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

Scalze, Lillie, Greiling and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 28, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing sale of state transportation bonds; appropriating money for Rice Street bridge in Ramsey County.

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

Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 29, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; veterans; creating a subtraction for military pensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.01, subdivision 19b; 290.091, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

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

Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 30, A bill for an act relating to state government; veterans; designating veteran-owned small businesses as targeted group businesses for purposes of awarding certain state and metro agency procurement contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 16C.16, subdivision 5.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs.

Mullery and Kahn introduced:

H. F. No. 31, A bill for an act relating to taxation; conforming to federal tax rules for public safety retiree pensions; authorizing pension funds to withhold and pay insurance premiums; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.01, subdivisions 19, 31; 356.87.

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

Hackbarth introduced:

H. F. No. 32, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; providing for a walk-in public access plan for certain outdoor recreation; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 84.

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

Buesgens introduced:

H. F. No. 33, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying personal watercraft operational requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 86B.313, subdivision 1.

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

Kahn, Hilty, Greiling, Hornstein, Bly, Tingelstad, Loeffler, Carlson, Hortman and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 34, A bill for an act relating to health; establishing state policy for stem cell research; providing criminal penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 137; 145.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Biosciences and Emerging Technology.

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 35, A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, section 3; providing for multimember senate and house districts that coincide with congressional district boundaries; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 2.021; 2.031, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Heidgerken and Otremba introduced:

H. F. No. 36, A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying integration revenue; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 124D.86, subdivision 3.

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

Brod and Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 37, A bill for an act relating to taxes; the military; clarifying that the tax deduction for out-of-state active military duty includes active duty performed by members of the Minnesota National Guard as well as that performed by other military reservists; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.01, subdivision 19b.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 38, A bill for an act relating to real property; providing for certain conveyances of the homestead; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 507.02.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice.

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 39, A bill for an act relating to health; establishing the fair share health care fund; requiring certain employer payments to the fund; providing for criminal penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16A; 175.

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

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 40, A bill for an act relating to taxes; providing a credit for employer postsecondary education expenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.06, by adding a subdivision.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 41, A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; prohibiting use of mobile telephones while operating motor vehicle; providing a defense; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice.

Rukavina, Solberg, Lieder and Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 42, A bill for an act relating to state government finance; providing for continuing appropriations in certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Buesgens and Erickson introduced:

H. F. No. 43, A bill for an act relating to higher education; providing stable undergraduate tuition rates; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 136F; 137.

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

Urdahl; Welti; Koenen; Gunther; Marquart; Juhnke; Simpson; Finstad; Dill; Peterson, A.; Nornes; Demmer; Westrom; Abeler and Eken introduced:

H. F. No. 44, A bill for an act relating to taxation; income; providing for economic growth in rural counties of the state by allowing a credit against the income tax of an employer for the creation and retention of certain jobs; appropriating money; 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.

Tillberry introduced:

H. F. No. 45, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for trunk highway improvements; authorizing sale of trunk highway bonds.

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

Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 46, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing a specified preference in state contracts for translation services; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16C.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 47, A bill for an act relating to summer youth employment; appropriating money for learn to earn.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 48, A bill for an act relating to insurance; prohibiting the use of consumer credit scores or history by insurers in underwriting automobile insurance policies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 72A.20, subdivision 36; 72A.499, subdivision 1; 72A.501, subdivision 2.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 49, A bill for an act relating to public nuisances; providing that certain criminal gang behavior is a public nuisance; authorizing injunctive relief and other remedies; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 617.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice.

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 50, A bill for an act relating to property taxation; exempting the first tier of commercial-industrial property from the state general tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 275.025, subdivision 2.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 51, A bill for an act relating to transportation; amending the membership requirements on the Technical Review Committee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 161.3420, subdivision 2.

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

Urdahl; Welti; Heidgerken; Koenen; Juhnke; Kohls; Gunther; Garofalo; Erickson; Ruth; Simpson; Finstad; Hamilton; Magnus; Dill; Hosch; Hortman; Marquart; Peterson, A.; Nornes; Demmer; Westrom; Abeler; Shimanski and Eken introduced:

H. F. No. 52, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing an income and corporate franchise tax credit for qualifying investment in dairy operations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.06, by adding a subdivision.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 53, A bill for an act relating to insurance; prohibiting discrimination in auto insurance based upon geographical area; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 72A.20, subdivision 23.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 54, A bill for an act relating to local government aid; providing additional city aid base for certain cities; increasing the limit on the city aid appropriation; requiring aid to be used for certain purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 477A.011, subdivision 36; 477A.013, by adding a subdivision; 477A.03, subdivision 2a.

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

Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 55, A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing nursing facility payment rates to the geographic group III median rate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

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

Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 56, A bill for an act relating to public safety; crime prevention; appropriating money to the commissioner of public safety to fund a grant to the St. Paul Police Department's Special Investigation Unit's Asian Gang Task Force.

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

Thissen, Thao, Abeler and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 57, A bill for an act relating to health occupations; extending the expiration dates for the Board of Medical Practices' advisory councils; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 147A.27, subdivision 2; 147B.05, subdivision 2; 147C.35, subdivision 2; 147D.25, subdivision 2; 214.32, subdivision 1.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 58, A bill for an act relating to employment; requiring the preparation and implementation of an initiative to expand job training for minorities and to substantially increase the wages paid to minority workers; requiring the preparation of an interim report.

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

Hackbarth introduced:

H. F. No. 59, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; designating a portion of the Northshore Trail for all-terrain vehicle use; requiring a registry of off-highway vehicle trails; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 85.015, subdivision 13; 85.017.

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

Brod, Paulsen, Dean, Peppin, Erickson and Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 60, A bill for an act relating to individual income taxation; reducing tax rates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.06, subdivision 2c; 290.091, subdivision 1.

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

Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 61, A bill for an act relating to taxes; authorizing a property tax rebate; appropriating money.

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

Brod, Paulsen, Dean, Peppin, Erickson, Gottwalt and Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 62, A bill for an act relating to individual income taxation; reducing tax rates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 290.06, subdivision 2c; 290.091, subdivision 1.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 63, A bill for an act relating to human services; repealing a permanent bar to set aside a disqualification under human services background studies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 245C.17, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 245C.24, subdivision 2.

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

Urdahl; Welti; Heidgerken; Koenen; Juhnke; Kohls; Gunther; Erickson; Ruth; Finstad; Simpson; Hamilton; Magnus; Dill; Hosch; Sailer; Marquart; Peterson, A.; Nornes; Demmer; Westrom; Abeler; Shimanski and Eken introduced:

H. F. No. 64, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing an income and corporate franchise tax credit for qualifying investment in dairy and livestock operations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.06, by adding a subdivision.

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

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 65, A bill for an act relating to notaries public; raising maximum notary fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 357.17.

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

Kahn, Hilty, Greiling, Hornstein, Bly, Tingelstad and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 66, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing that certain appropriations continue in effect until eliminated or modified; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections.

Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 67, A bill for an act relating to the state lottery; providing for lottery games to support local parks; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 349A.04; 349A.10, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 349A.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the adoption by the Senate of the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, herewith transmitted:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, A Senate concurrent resolution relating to the adoption of temporary joint rules.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Sertich moved that the rules be so far suspended that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 be now considered and be placed upon its adoption. The motion prevailed.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

A Senate concurrent resolution relating to the adoption of temporary joint rules.

Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring:

The temporary Joint Rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives for the 84th session are adopted as the temporary joint rules for the 85th session, to be effective until the adoption of Permanent Joint Rules by the Senate and House of Representatives.

Sertich moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 be now adopted. The motion prevailed and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was adopted.

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the adoption by the Senate of the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, herewith transmitted:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2, A Senate concurrent resolution relating to parking space in the capitol area for members of the Legislature and staff.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Sertich moved that the rules be so far suspended that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 be now considered and be placed upon its adoption. The motion prevailed.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

A Senate concurrent resolution relating to parking space in the capitol area for members of the Legislature and staff.

Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring:

The Commissioner of Administration shall reserve all parking space necessary on the Capitol grounds, Capitol Approach, and Aurora Avenue, in the State Office Building ramp, and elsewhere in the capitol area for the use of the members and staff of the Legislature for the 85th session of the Legislature, allowing reasonable space for parking to the general public having business at the Capitol. The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate and the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration of the House of Representatives may designate necessary personnel to work with the Commissioner of Administration in this matter.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Controller of the House of Representatives may deduct from the check of any legislator or legislative employee in each year of the 85th session of the Legislature a sum adequate to cover the exercise of the parking privilege defined in this resolution in conformity with the practice of the Commissioner of Administration.

Sertich moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 be now adopted. The motion prevailed and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 was adopted.

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the adoption by the Senate of the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, herewith transmitted:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, A Senate concurrent resolution relating to the adjournment of the Senate and House of Representatives on January 11, 2007.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Sertich moved that the rules be so far suspended that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 be now considered and be placed upon its adoption. The motion prevailed.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

A Senate concurrent resolution relating to the adjournment of the Senate and House of Representatives on January 11, 2007.

Be It Resolved, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that upon adjournment on January 11, 2007, the Senate and House of Representatives may each adjourn for more than three days.

Sertich moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 be now adopted. The motion prevailed and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Sertich moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 11, 2007. The motion prevailed.

Sertich moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 11, 2007.

ALBIN A. MATHIOWETZ, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

