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SEVENTY-SIXTH DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2008

Prior to the convening of session, Maddy Sorenson and Anna Carey performed the song "Shines for All to See" in honor of Minnesota's 150th anniversary of statehood.

The House of Representatives convened at 12:00 noon and was called to order by Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Paul Rogers, House Chaplain.

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

Representative Steve Drazkowski, from District 28B, was elected in a special election held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007 to replace Representative Steve Sviggum, whose resignation was effective on Tuesday, July 17, 2007. Representative Drazkowski had previously been administered and subscribed to the oath of office on Thursday, August 16, 2007.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

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

A quorum was present.

Clark and Walker were excused.

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

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House File Nos. 2553 through 2709 were pre-filed with the Speaker during the recess, given a file number and unofficially referred to committee pursuant to House Rule 1.14. The following was the official introduction and committee reference:

Winkler; Kahn; DeLaForest; Kelliher; Pelowski; Kalin; Mahoney; Greiling; Tillberry; Doty; Dominguez; Bly; Simon; Davnie; Lenczewski; Bigham; Gardner; Murphy, E.; Masin; Haws; Hornstein; Lesch; Wollschlager; Bunn; Fritz; Walker and Berns introduced:

H. F. No. 2553, A bill for an act relating to state government; creating a catastrophe survivor compensation fund; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 13.635, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 8A.

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

Carlson, Kelliher and Erhardt introduced:

H. F. No. 2554, A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, section 12; adding a provision to allow the legislature or presiding officers to call a special session.

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

Slawik; Murphy, E., and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2555, A bill for an act relating to child care; increasing child care assistance provider reimbursement rates; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 119B.13, subdivision 1.

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

Eken, Ozment, Moe, Kalin, Hilty and Sailer introduced:

H. F. No. 2556, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for state park rehabilitation and development; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Bly, Koenen and Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2557, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for dairy facilities at the University of Minnesota West Central Research and Outreach Station.

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

Murphy, M.; Kelliher; Greiling; Erickson and Heidgerken introduced:

H. F. No. 2558, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for library accessibility and improvement grants; authorizing the sale of state bonds.

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

Brown; Poppe; Welti; Peterson, A.; Demmer and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 2559, A bill for an act relating to education; removing wind energy production tax from county apportionment deduction for school districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 126C.21, subdivision 3.

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

Ruud; Otremba; Murphy, E., and Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2560, A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring health plans to provide coverage for neuropsychological testing for children diagnosed with cancer; extending medical assistance coverage to neuropsychological testing for children diagnosed with cancer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A.

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

Slawik, Hausman and Kelliher introduced:

H. F. No. 2561, A bill for an act relating to early childhood education; modifying grants to early childhood learning and child protection facilities; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 119A.45.

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

Kelliher; Hausman; Tingelstad; Solberg; Scalze; Lanning; Peterson, N., and Winkler introduced:

H. F. No. 2562, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for predesign of Orchestra Hall and Peavey Plaza in the city of Minneapolis; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2563, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a wastewater treatment system in the Big Lake Area Sanitary District; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2564, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a new supply well in the city of Barnum; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2565, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a new supply well in the city of Carlton; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2566, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Moose Lake wastewater collection and treatment facility project; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Scalze; Peterson, N.; Greiling; Hilstrom and Simon introduced:

H. F. No. 2567, A bill for an act relating to state aids to local governments; modifying the need measure used in the local government aid formula; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 477A.011, subdivisions 34, 36, by adding a subdivision.

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

Wardlow introduced:

H. F. No. 2568, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing sale of state transportation bonds; appropriating money for completion of the Ring Road project in the city of Eagan.

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

Anzels introduced:

H. F. No. 2569, A bill for an act relating to utilities; enacting Minnesota Public Utilities Holding Company Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 216B.02, subdivision 4; 216B.49, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

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

Solberg, Lanning and Loeffler introduced:

H. F. No. 2570, A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; establishing Minnesota sesquicentennial special plates; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

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

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2571, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Paul Bunyan State Trail; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Greiling, Scalze and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2572, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for improvements to the Guidant John Rose Minnesota Oval.

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

Hansen; Otremba; Mahoney; Juhnke; Eken; Wagenius; Gunther; Murphy, E.; Knuth and Tschumper introduced:

H. F. No. 2573, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying prohibited uses of pesticide; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 18B.07, subdivision 2.

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

Hamilton introduced:

H. F. No. 2574, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Windom Dam; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Wollschlager introduced:

H. F. No. 2575, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a biosolids processing facility in the city of Red Wing; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Greiling, Scalze and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2576, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for improvements to the Guidant John Rose Minnesota Oval.

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

Welti introduced:

H. F. No. 2577, A bill for an act relating to education finance; correcting the Plainview-Elgin-Millville community education fund balance adjustment; amending Laws 2007, chapter 146, article 5, section 11, subdivision 1.

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

Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 2578, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Floodwood for business park development.

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

Bigham, Bunn and Swails introduced:

H. F. No. 2579, A bill for an act relating to veterans; appropriating money for improvements at the Disabled Veteran's Rest Camp on Big Marine Lake in Washington County.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2580, A bill for an act relating to elections; clarifying right of access for certain persons to multiple unit residences for campaign and election purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 211B.20.

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

Howes and Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2581, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for additional demolition costs at the Ah-Gwah-Ching Regional Treatment Center Campus; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Howes, Haws, Kelliher, Dettmer, Seifert, Scalze, Nornes, Lillie, Winkler, Ward, Westrom, Gottwalt, Erickson, Cornish, Slocum and Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2582, A bill for an act relating to veterans; designating March 29 as Vietnam Veterans Day; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

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

Hamilton introduced:

H. F. No. 2583, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Prairie Ecology Center in Jackson County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2584, A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Nassau for a fire station.

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

Ward, Olin, Howes, Sailer and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2585, A bill for an act relating to health; changing requirements for interfacility transports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144E.101, subdivision 4.

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

Howes and Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2586, A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing Cass County to establish a hospital district.

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

Huntley, Kahn, Paymar and Greiling introduced:

H. F. No. 2587, A bill for an act relating to health; removing an exception to the smoking ban for patients in a locked psychiatric unit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 144.414, subdivision 3.

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

Ward and Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2588, A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring authorization before relocating regional treatment centers or state-operated nursing homes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 246.0135.

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

Hamilton introduced:

H. F. No. 2589, A bill for an act relating to retirement; privatized public employee retirement coverage; including the Worthington Regional Hospital in privatization coverage; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 353F.02, subdivision 4.

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

Ward, Olin, Howes, Seifert and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 2590, A bill for an act relating to health; allowing Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board members to serve two consecutive terms; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144E.01, subdivision 1.

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

Olin; Sailer; Murphy, E.; Seifert and Lieder introduced:

H. F. No. 2591, A bill for an act relating to health; allowing first responders to a basic life support ambulance with certain conditions; allowing staffing flexibility for rural ambulance providers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144E.101, subdivision 7; Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 144E.101, subdivision 6.

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

Koenen introduced:

H. F. No. 2592, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money to improve the Upper Sioux Community water system.

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

Koenen introduced:

H. F. No. 2593, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Southwest Area Storm Sewer Project; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 2594, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for North Shore state parks and trails; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hosch introduced:

H. F. No. 2595, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Washburne Avenue improvements in the city of Paynesville; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hosch introduced:

H. F. No. 2596, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Cold Spring downtown riverfront redevelopment project; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hosch introduced:

H. F. No. 2597, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for land acquisition for Warner Lake Park; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hosch and Gottwalt introduced:

H. F. No. 2598, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Rocori Trail in Stearns County.

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

Brod, Severson and Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2599, A bill for an act relating to local government; increasing amount that counties may appropriate for Memorial Day observances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 375.34; 375.35.

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

Kelliher introduced:

H. F. No. 2600, A bill for an act relating to city of Minneapolis; allowing city to restrict use of engine brakes on Interstate Highway 394.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2601, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; removing certain land in the Cannon River area from the wild and scenic rivers program.

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

Nornes introduced:

H. F. No. 2602, A bill for an act relating to public safety; exempting police vehicles used to transport police dogs from window glazing restrictions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.71, subdivision 4.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2603, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a new Kittson County ATV trail.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2604, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Thief River Falls' multievents complex phase II, aquatic center.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2605, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Hallock Ice Arena.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2606, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Thief River Falls pedestrian and bicycle pathways system.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2607, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Roseau east diversion flood control project.

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

Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 2608, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a fire and hazardous response team facility in Grand Rapids.

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

Lieder introduced:

H. F. No. 2609, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a new ice arena complex in the city of Crookston.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2610, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; permitting the use of two angling lines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 97C.315, subdivision 1.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2611, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Grass Lake restoration.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2612, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for science lab renovation at Ridgewater Community and Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2613, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Sibley State Park facilities improvements.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2614, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at Ridgewater Community and Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2615, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Willmar wastewater treatment facility.

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

Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 2616, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Chisholm street improvements.

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

Bly; Fritz; Slawik; Peterson, A.; Ward; Lieder; Doty; Morrow; Laine; Beard; Slocum and Sailer introduced:

H. F. No. 2617, A bill for an act relating to education; modifying teaching employment for early childhood education programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 124D.13, subdivision 11.

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

Welti introduced:

H. F. No. 2618, A bill for an act relating to education; providing grants for school district career and technical education transition coordinators; appropriating money.

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

Tschumper introduced:

H. F. No. 2619, A bill for an act relating to adoption; providing for correction of birth certificate information in certain cases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 259.89, by adding a subdivision.

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

Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 2620, A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a statewide cord blood bank; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

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

Tschumper and Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 2621, A bill for an act relating to health; requiring the Department of Health to test private well water; appropriating money; 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.

Nornes and Westrom introduced:

H. F. No. 2622, A bill for an act relating to early childhood education; modifying teacher licensure requirements for early childhood family education programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 124D.13, subdivision 11.

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

Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 2623, A bill for an act relating to education; directing the education commissioner to require the state's testing contractor to provide test results to school districts by the first week in May; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 120B.30, subdivision 2.

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

Urdahl, Welti and Greiling introduced:

H. F. No. 2624, A bill for an act relating to education; establishing an advisory task force on improving teacher quality and identifying institutional structures and strategies for effectively integrating secondary and postsecondary academic and career education.

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

Slocum, Greiling, Brown, Wardlow and Mariani introduced:

H. F. No. 2625, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring statewide P-16 education partnerships to include legislators.

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

Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 2626, A bill for an act relating to public safety; eliminating fee for identification cards for seniors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 171.07, subdivision 3a.

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

Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 2627, A bill for an act relating to public nuisances; making changes to public nuisance law affecting evidentiary thresholds and numbers of triggering incidents required for specific offenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 617.81, subdivision 2.

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

Norton, Dittrich and Hortman introduced:

H. F. No. 2628, A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; modifying requirements for holder of provisional driver's license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 171.055, subdivision 2.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2629, A bill for an act relating to employment; requiring use of certain funds for direct unemployed worker assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 116J.401, by adding a subdivision.

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

Brown, Ward, Tillberry and Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 2630, A bill for an act relating to education; eliminating sales tax on purchase of certain school district vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297B.03.

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

Urdahl and Koenen introduced:

H. F. No. 2631, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; providing for dairy investment matching grants; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 17.

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

Urdahl and Eastlund introduced:

H. F. No. 2632, A bill for an act relating to eminent domain; requiring public service corporations to share appraisal information with land owners; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 117.189.

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

Brod, Drazkowski, Zellers, Gottwalt, Nornes and Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 2633, A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; modifying requirements for accepting driver's license from another state or jurisdiction as valid form of identification; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 171.06, by adding a subdivision.

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

Doty introduced:

H. F. No. 2634, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing for use of donated sick leave; amending Laws 1993, chapter 345, article 5, section 17, subdivision 1.

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

Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 2635, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at Northland Community and Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Anzelc, Solberg, Laine, Scalze and Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 2636, A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing certain expenditures by towns; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 365.10, subdivision 12.

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

Slawik; Murphy, E., and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2637, A bill for an act relating to child care; modifying the effective date of child care absent day requirements; amending Laws 2007, chapter 147, article 2, section 64.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 2638, A bill for an act relating to health; modifying the MinnesotaCare definition of income for the nonfarm self-employed; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 256L.01, subdivision 4.

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

Gottwalt, Huntley and Abeler introduced:

H. F. No. 2639, A bill for an act relating to health; changing provisions for prescribing legend drugs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 151.37, subdivision 2.

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

Otremba, Fritz, Ward and Doty introduced:

H. F. No. 2640, A bill for an act relating to health; prohibiting policy waiting periods for prenatal and maternity health insurance benefits; eliminating pregnancy as a preexisting condition; establishing a parenting support grant program; establishing an informational hotline on available pregnancy, adoption, and parental support agencies; requiring information on alpha-fetoprotein testing be provided; requiring adoption referral information be provided; requiring adoption and parenting counseling be provided; establishing an adoption tax credit; establishing civil penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 62A.011, by adding a subdivision; 62A.041, subdivision 2; 62A.0411; 62A.047; 145.4243; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 62A; 136A; 145; 290.

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

Anzelc, Solberg, Sertich, Hausman, Laine and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2641, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Canisteo Mine Outflow Project; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Anzelc, Solberg, Sertich, Laine and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2642, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for infrastructure and other improvements for a steel mill in Itasca County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Nelson introduced:

H. F. No. 2643, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at Hennepin Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Faust introduced:

H. F. No. 2644, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a senior center in the city of Mora; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Faust introduced:

H. F. No. 2645, A bill for an act relating to the military; requiring a report on participation by Minnesota in the National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

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

Faust and Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2646, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for repair of the Hinckley Fire State Monument; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Bly introduced:

H. F. No. 2647, A bill for an act relating to higher education; clarifying administrative funding for teach education and comprehension helps program grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 136A.128, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Higher Education and Work Force Development Policy and Finance Division.

Bly introduced:

H. F. No. 2648, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Northfield public safety and regional emergency operations center.

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

Brown, Ward, Kalin and Tillberry introduced:

H. F. No. 2649, A bill for an act relating to education; increasing pupil unit count for all-day, every day kindergarten pupils; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 126C.05, subdivision 1.

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

Brown and Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 2650, A bill for an act relating to education finance; appropriating money for the Principals' Leadership Institute.

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

Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2651, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the AgLan Centr; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Drazkowski, Westrom, Nornes, Beard and Shimanski introduced:

H. F. No. 2652, A bill for an act relating to state government; designating English as the official language; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 171.04, subdivision 1; 171.13, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 15.441.

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

Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 2653, A bill for an act relating to housing; modifying the definition of neighborhood land trust; appropriating money for neighborhood land trusts; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 462A.30, subdivision 8.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2654, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Iron Junction sewer expansion.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2655, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the city of Aurora wastewater treatment facility, phase II; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Lanning introduced:

H. F. No. 2656, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for capital improvements at Minnesota State University, Moorhead; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Bigham, Greiling and Mariani introduced:

H. F. No. 2657, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring school boards to seek information from prospective employees and the Board of Teaching about disciplinary actions against the employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 123B.03, by adding a subdivision.

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

Hosch introduced:

H. F. No. 2658, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing an account transfer for Independent School District No. 750, Rocori.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2659, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Virginia Mining Haul Road economic development project.

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

Urdahl and Koenen introduced:

H. F. No. 2660, A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting certain items used in livestock farming operations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.69, subdivisions 2, 3, 4.

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

Severson and Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2661, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Sartell for the Central Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Peterson, S., introduced:

H. F. No. 2662, A bill for an act relating to the Metropolitan Council; providing for staggered terms of Metropolitan Council members; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 473.123, subdivision 2a.

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

Peterson, S., and Knuth introduced:

H. F. No. 2663, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring schools to use environmentally sensitive cleaning and maintenance products; establishing guidelines and a task force; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 121A.

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

Koenen and Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2664, A bill for an act relating to veterans; directing commissioner of veterans affairs to establish and operate a new veterans home in the city of Montevideo.

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

McNamara, Magnus, Dean, Emmer, Urdahl, Erhardt and Abeler introduced:

H. F. No. 2665, A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 5; authorizing the use of general obligation bonds as an additional revenue source for trunk highway funding.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2666, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Gilbert wastewater treatment facility improvements.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2667, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of Hoyt Lakes and town of White rail and infrastructure project.

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

Otremba and Westrom introduced:

H. F. No. 2668, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a law enforcement center at Alexandria Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

McNamara, Wagenius and Wollschlager introduced:

H. F. No. 2669, A bill for an act relating to state government; approval of long-distance phone records; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 10.43.

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

Paulsen introduced:

H. F. No. 2670, A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring certain child predators to wear tracking and monitoring devices after release from prison; prescribing penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 244.

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

Urdahl introduced:

H. F. No. 2671, A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring certain pension benefit costs to be recognized for purposes of calculating nursing facility payment rates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.434, by adding a subdivision.

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

Urdahl introduced:

H. F. No. 2672, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Annandale for the Annandale Tactical Training Center.

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

Urdahl introduced:

H. F. No. 2673, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Dassel for an elevated water tank.

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

McNamara introduced:

H. F. No. 2674, A bill for an act relating to highways; appropriating money for fracture-critical bridge replacement; authorizing sale of trunk highway or general obligation bonds depending on adoption of a constitutional amendment.

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

Urdahl introduced:

H. F. No. 2675, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for state park and recreation area acquisition; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2676, A bill for an act relating to employment; providing for voluntary paid parental leave; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 181.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2677, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for construction of a water reclamation facility in Faribault.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2678, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the renovation of Mott Hall on the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf campus.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2679, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for city of Ellendale water system improvements.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2680, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for city of Medford wastewater and water system improvements.

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

Dettmer, Haws, Nornes and Simpson introduced:

H. F. No. 2681, A bill for an act relating to taxation; property tax; providing that the growing of certain trees is considered an intensive use; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 273.13, subdivision 23.

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

Lillie introduced:

H. F. No. 2682, A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing certain levy authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 126C.45.

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

Otremba introduced:

H. F. No. 2683, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying the expiration date for the Minnesota Agriculture Education Leadership Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 41D.01, subdivision 4.

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

Eken and Marquart introduced:

H. F. No. 2684, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Indian burial site acquisition; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2685, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for city of Blooming Prairie sewer improvements.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2686, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for phase 3 of the Minnesota Correctional Facility, Faribault expansion.

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

Westrom and Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2687, A bill for an act relating to local government; limiting local government requirements for use of certain nonconforming lots; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 394.36, by adding a subdivision; 462.357, subdivision 1e.

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

Westrom introduced:

H. F. No. 2688, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; providing an infrastructure funding grant for Elbow Lake.

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

Slawik; Murphy, E., and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2689, A bill for an act relating to child care; appropriating money for the child care assistance basic sliding fee waiting list.

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

Laine, Tillberry, Tingelstad, Knuth and Abeler introduced:

H. F. No. 2690, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money to redevelop the Springbrook Nature Center in the city of Fridley; authorizing the sale of state bonds.

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

Haws, Gottwalt, Hosch and Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 2691, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to acquire land for the St. Cloud Regional Airport.

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

Haws, Gottwalt, Hosch and Severson introduced:

H. F. No. 2692, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for expansion of the St. Cloud Civic Center.

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

Laine, Tillberry, Tingelstad, Knuth, Hausman, Dominguez, Nelson and Abeler introduced:

H. F. No. 2693, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a train station in the city of Fridley.

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

Doty and Ward introduced:

H. F. No. 2694, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing funding for the Pine Grove Zoo in Little Falls; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297A.94.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2695, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for property acquisition for Bemidji State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2696, A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring the Department of Corrections to reimburse police departments for the cost of predatory offender community notification hearings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 244.052, subdivision 4.

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

Johnson introduced:

H. F. No. 2697, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing sale of bonds for roadside properties on the Great River Road; appropriating money.

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

Haws, Severson and Gottwalt introduced:

H. F. No. 2698, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Sartell for the Central Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2699, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money to renovate and construct an addition to Sattgast Science Building at Bemidji State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2700, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for property demolition at Bemidji State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2701, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at Bemidji State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2702, A bill for an act relating to labor; providing employee organization access to employees at certain meetings; specifying the tax treatment of employer expenditures related to opposing employee unionization efforts; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 290.01, subdivisions 19a, 19c; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 179; 179A.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 2703, A bill for an act relating to tourism; appropriating money for improvements to Lake Superior Mississippi Railroad scenic railway.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 2704, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for shooting sports facilities at the Vermillion Highlands Wildlife Management Area; authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2705, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for science lab renovation at Bemidji State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Doty and Ward introduced:

H. F. No. 2706, A bill for an act relating to the Minnesota Historical Society; appropriating money for the military museum at Camp Ripley.

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

Lenczewski introduced:

H. F. No. 2707, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for removal and replacement of the Old Cedar Avenue Bridge in Bloomington; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Hilstrom; Hortman; Carlson; Peterson, S.; Nelson; Zellers and Dittrich introduced:

H. F. No. 2708, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money to construct the Northwest Hennepin Family Center in Brooklyn Center; authorizing the sale of state bonds.

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

Demmer, Hamilton, Poppe, Magnus, Brown, Gunther and Ruth introduced:

H. F. No. 2709, A bill for an act relating to education finance; restoring wind energy revenue payments to school districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 126C.21, subdivision 3.

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

The following House Files were not prefiled and are being offered for introduction today:

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2710, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for asset preservation at correctional facilities statewide.

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

Slocum, Thissen and Bigam introduced:

H. F. No. 2711, A bill for an act relating to health; requiring health and auto insurance reimbursement for emergency care provided by first responders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 62J.48; 65B.44, subdivision 2.

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

Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 2712, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for dam safety modifications on the Sunrise River in Chisago County.

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

Moe, Rukavina, Solberg and Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 2713, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Bemidji Regional Event Center.

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

Winkler, Swails, Simon, Carlson and Slocum introduced:

H. F. No. 2714, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for improvements to the Perpich Center for Arts Education.

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

Magnus, Hamilton and Gunther introduced:

H. F. No. 2715, A bill for an act relating to railroads; forgiving state loans made to Rock and Nobles Counties.

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

Bigham, McNamara, Hausman, Johnson, Mariani, Bunn and Swails introduced:

H. F. No. 2716, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Red Rock Corridor Transit Way.

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

Kalin and Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2717, A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing disbursement of minimum fines for controlled substance offenses to juvenile substance abuse court programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 609.101, subdivision 3.

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

Moe; Hausman; Peterson, N., and Tschumper introduced:

H. F. No. 2718, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for publicly owned housing; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Atkins, Lillie, Tillberry, Bunn and Dominguez introduced:

H. F. No. 2719, A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting sexual relations between school employees in positions of authority and students; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 609.341, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, sections 609.344, subdivision 1; 609.345, subdivision 1.

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

Atkins, Tillberry, Bunn and Dominguez introduced:

H. F. No. 2720, A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting loitering near schools and places where children congregate; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

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

Dominguez and Atkins introduced:

H. F. No. 2721, A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating auto insurance; regulating certain claims practices; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 65B.54, by adding a subdivision.

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

Cornish introduced:

H. F. No. 2722, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; permitting electronic licensing system agents to charge a higher fee to credit card users and requiring that individuals be notified of the higher fee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 84.027, subdivision 15.

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

Cornish introduced:

H. F. No. 2723, A bill for an act relating to the city of Wells; providing for disposition of certain tax increment revenues after decertification of a district.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2724, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at St. Cloud State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hansen introduced:

H. F. No. 2725, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Public Employees Retirement Association police and fire fund; authorizing a joint and survivor annuity for a divorced spouse of a deceased retiree who elected a single life annuity.

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

Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2726, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; modifying angling license fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 97A.475, subdivision 6.

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

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2727, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing Independent School District No. 113, Walker-Akeley, to recertify its 2007 property tax levy for taxes payable in 2008.

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

Dill and Huntley introduced:

H. F. No. 2728, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; reappropriating a grant from the Knife River-Larsmont sanitary district to the Duluth/North Shore sanitary district; amending Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 20, article 1, section 12, subdivision 3.

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

Morrow, Urdahl and Koenen introduced:

H. F. No. 2729, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for heritage trails; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Doty and Ward introduced:

H. F. No. 2730, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a training and exercise center at Camp Ripley.

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

Hansen, Gunther, Morrow, Lanning and Peterson, A., introduced:

H. F. No. 2731, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Board of Water and Soil Resources statewide projects; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Loeffler introduced:

H. F. No. 2732, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the St. Anthony Parkway Bridge in Minneapolis; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Mahoney, Johnson, Lillie, Scalze and Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 2733, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the city of St. Paul master plan for Keller and Phalen Parks.

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

Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 2734, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for neighborhood land trusts; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2735, A bill for an act relating to public safety; funding peace officer training in managing and policing citizens with mental and emotional problems; appropriating funds.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2736, A bill for an act relating to housing; directing the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to study the potential benefits of establishing a statewide registry of landlords; requiring a report.

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

Anzels introduced:

H. F. No. 2737, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing wetland bank credit under certain state-held conservation easements; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103G.

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

Beard, Morgan and Peterson, N., introduced:

H. F. No. 2738, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for dredge material site projects in the Lower Minnesota Watershed District; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Cornish introduced:

H. F. No. 2739, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Wells Depot in the city of Wells; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Erickson introduced:

H. F. No. 2740, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; prohibiting the taking of white and albino deer in Mille Lacs County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 97B.311.

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

Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 2741, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for wastewater treatment facility reconstruction in Grand Rapids.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2742, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Minnesota State Academies, Frechette Hall.

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

Kalin and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2743, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for acquisition of Ojiketa Regional Park; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Greiling, Scalze and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2744, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; modifying the distribution of sale proceeds when state bond financed property is sold; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 16A.695, subdivision 3.

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

Wagenius, Tingelstad, Erhardt and Carlson introduced:

H. F. No. 2745, A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for environment and natural resources; providing for repayment of certain appropriations from the environment and natural resources trust fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 116P.10.

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

Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 2746, A bill for an act relating to environment; providing for plastic bag recycling; providing civil penalties; authorizing rulemaking; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115A.

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

Simon introduced:

H. F. No. 2747, A bill for an act relating to health professions; modifying complementary and alternative health care practices; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 146A.08, subdivision 1.

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

Liebling and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 2748, A bill for an act relating to health; requiring the administrative services unit to apportion the amount necessary to purchase medical professional liability insurance coverage and authorizing fees to be adjusted to compensate for the apportioned amount; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 214.40, by adding a subdivision.

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

Liebling, Norton and Welti introduced:

H. F. No. 2749, A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing reimbursement rates for nursing facilities located in Olmsted County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.434, by adding a subdivision.

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

Moe, Olin, Seifert, Solberg, Lieder and Thissen introduced:

H. F. No. 2750, A bill for an act relating to health; modifying transport criteria for ambulance service in the state trauma system; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144.604.

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

Ruud introduced:

H. F. No. 2751, A bill for an act relating to human services; providing a grant for the establishment of the kinship navigator program for grandparents and relatives raising related children; appropriating money.

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

Ruud introduced:

H. F. No. 2752, A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing the kinship support program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256J.

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

Rukavina and Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 2753, A bill for an act relating to local government; authorizing establishment of the White Community Hospital District; authorizing hospital district to levy property taxes.

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

Scalze, Tschumper, Greiling and Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 2754, A bill for an act relating to public health; prohibiting sale of certain poultry and pork products to retail stores and restaurants; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 25.

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

Lenczewski introduced:

H. F. No. 2755, A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring that physical therapy coverage include physical therapy for maintenance of health status for patients with progressive conditions; 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.

McFarlane, Hausman, Johnson, Knuth and Gardner introduced:

H. F. No. 2756, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Tamarack Nature Center - Destination for Discovery; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hornstein and Lieder introduced:

H. F. No. 2757, A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring commissioner of transportation to develop or identify a device to give warning of imminent bridge collapse; requiring a report.

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

Hausman, Swails, Paymar, Lieder, Knuth and Wagenius introduced:

H. F. No. 2758, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Central Corridor Transit Way.

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

Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 2759, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for Trunk Highway 8 improvements in the city of Lindstrom; authorizing sale of trunk highway bonds.

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

Mahoney, Beard, Bunn, Norton, Masin and Hoppe introduced:

H. F. No. 2760, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for bioscience public infrastructure grants; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hausman, Carlson and Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 2761, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a state museum of natural history.

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

Wardlow introduced:

H. F. No. 2762, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; authorizing the purchase of service credit for prior Illinois teaching service.

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

Gardner, Tinglestad, Tillberry, Knuth, Laine, Dittrich and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 2763, A bill for an act relating to Anoka County; modifying a provision governing bonding for county libraries; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 383E.20.

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

Poppe and Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2764, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Austin flood relief.

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

Poppe and Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2765, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Austin Area Success Center.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2766, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for integrated science and engineering lab design at St. Cloud State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Lieder introduced:

H. F. No. 2767, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Northland Community and Technical College, East Grand Forks campus; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2768, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Brown Hall science renovation at St. Cloud State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2769, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Allied Health Center design at the St. Cloud Technical College campus; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Kahn introduced:

H. F. No. 2770, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the University Research Park project area in the city of Minneapolis; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Lanning introduced:

H. F. No. 2771, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for capital improvements at Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Moorhead; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2772, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for asset preservation at the Minnesota State Academies.

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

Atkins introduced:

H. F. No. 2773, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Inver Hills Community College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2774, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at St. Cloud Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Anzels introduced:

H. F. No. 2775, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for asset preservation at Rainy River Community College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Norton, Demmer, Welti and Liebling introduced:

H. F. No. 2776, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a new steam line from Olmsted Waste-to-Energy Facility to Rochester Community and Technical College Campus.

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

Gardner introduced:

H. F. No. 2777, A bill for an act relating to environment; modifying disposition of solid waste management tax revenue; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 297H.13, subdivision 2.

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

Poppe and Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2778, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Riverland Community College.

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

Paulsen introduced:

H. F. No. 2779, A bill for an act relating to workforce development; establishing a lifelong learning account program; allowing tax credits to employees and employers for contributions to lifelong learning accounts; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 175; 290.

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

Jaros, Huntley and Murphy, M., introduced:

H. F. No. 2780, A bill for an act relating to the city of Duluth; authorizing the city of Duluth to increase the rate of tax on sales of food and beverages; authorizing use of the proceeds of the tax for certain improvements; amending Laws 1980, chapter 511, section 1, subdivision 2, as amended.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 2781, A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; exempting certain disaster response vehicles from registration tax and fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 168.012, subdivision 1.

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

Bigham, Greiling, Lenczewski, Ruud, Haws, Gottwalt, Eastlund, Shimanski and Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2782, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring all K-12 athletic coaches to undergo criminal history background checks; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 123B.03, subdivision 1.

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

Swails, Dittrich, Slawik, Mariani and Greiling introduced:

H. F. No. 2783, A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a P-20 education partnership; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 127A.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2784, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring public school students to complete service learning hours as a condition of graduating from high school; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 120B.024.

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

Gardner, Greiling, Knuth and Scalze introduced:

H. F. No. 2785, A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a conflict of interest exception for certain school contracts for professional and other services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 471.88, subdivision 5.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2786, A bill for an act relating to workers' compensation; modifying qualified rehabilitation consultant fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 176.102, subdivisions 2, 4.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 2787, A bill for an act relating to the interpretation of statutes; providing that certain private actions are in the public interest and benefit the public; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 645.17.

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

Anzelski introduced:

H. F. No. 2788, A bill for an act relating to the city of Nashwauk; increasing the membership of the Nashwauk Public Utilities Commission from three to five members.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 2789, A bill for an act relating to eminent domain; amending provisions concerning reestablishment costs limit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 117.51; 117.52, subdivision 1a.

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

Eastlund introduced:

H. F. No. 2790, A bill for an act relating to driving while impaired; increasing the maximum bail for the unconditional release of certain impaired driving defendants who have been taken into custody following arrest; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 629.471, subdivisions 2, 3.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2791, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a veterans home in Kandiyohi County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Juhnke introduced:

H. F. No. 2792, A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring proposals for baseball parks; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 240A.

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

Murphy, M.; Huntley and Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 2793, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center arena.

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

Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 2794, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; allowing crossbow hunting of bear and turkey during regular firearms seasons; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 97B.036.

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

Tschumper introduced:

H. F. No. 2795, A bill for an act relating to local government; allowing meetings and events after 6:00 p.m. on March 4, 2008.

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

Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 2796, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the renewable energy clean air project in Koochiching County; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 2797, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Wheeler Point community sanitary sewer collection and treatment system; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 2798, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the sanitary sewer, water, and storm sewer rehabilitation project in the city of Northome; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 2799, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Baudette water towers; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Lieder, Erhardt, Hortman, Morrow, Hornstein, Nelson, Kelliher and Madore introduced:

H. F. No. 2800, A bill for an act relating to transportation finance; appropriating money for transportation activities; providing funding for highway maintenance, debt service, and local roads; appropriating funds for emergency relief related to the I-35W bridge collapse; establishing a trunk highway bridge improvement program; requiring a study of value capture to reduce the public costs of large transportation infrastructure investment; authorizing sale and issuance of trunk highway bonds for highways; modifying motor vehicle registration and motor fuel taxes; establishing annual adjustment of motor fuel taxes; creating a motor fuels tax credit; allocating motor vehicle lease tax revenues; providing for local transportation sales taxes; modifying county state aid highway fund revenue allocation; prohibiting tolling or privatization of existing transportation facilities; modifying provisions related to various transportation-related funds and accounts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 160.84, subdivision 1; 161.081, subdivision 3; 162.06; 162.07, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 168.013, subdivision 1a; 171.29, subdivision 2; 290.06, by adding a subdivision; 296A.07, subdivision 3; 296A.08, subdivision 2; 297A.64, subdivision 2; 297A.815, by adding a subdivision; 473.129, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 160; 165; 296A; 297A; 398A.

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

Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 2801, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Voyageurs Heritage Center and Voyageurs National Park Headquarters; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Gardner; Murphy, E.; Wagenius; Madore and Scalze introduced:

H. F. No. 2802, A bill for an act relating to solid waste; prohibiting open burning of solid waste; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 17.135; 88.171, subdivision 4.

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

Greiling introduced:

H. F. No. 2803, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; permitting certain Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system faculty members to elect prospective and retroactive defined benefit coverage for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities employment.

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

Gardner introduced:

H. F. No. 2804, A bill for an act relating to noxious weeds; allowing municipalities to adopt ordinances for the eradication of buckthorn; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 18.78, by adding a subdivision.

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

Mahoney, Moe, Lieder and Drazkowski introduced:

H. F. No. 2805, A bill for an act relating to occupations; modifying effective dates for restricted plumber licenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 326.402, subdivisions 1, 3.

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

Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2806, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to construct remedial systems in the city of Albert Lea.

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

Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2807, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Alden Community Center.

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

Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2808, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Blazing Star Trail.

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

Brown and Poppe introduced:

H. F. No. 2809, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and sewers and other public improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds; appropriating money to upgrade the city of Rose Creek sewer systems.

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

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2810, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for repair of the roof at the Bemidji National Guard Training and Community Center; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Atkins, Rukavina, Gunther and Zellers introduced:

H. F. No. 2811, A bill for an act relating to occupations and professions; modifying provisions governing the Board of Accountancy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 326A.01, subdivisions 2, 12, 17, by adding a subdivision; 326A.02, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 326A.03; 326A.04; 326A.05, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 326A.06; 326A.07; 326A.08, subdivisions 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 326A.10; 326A.12; 326A.13; 326A.14; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 326A.05, subdivision 9.

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

Seifert and Magnus introduced:

H. F. No. 2812, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing an account transfer for Independent School District No. 411, Balaton.

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

Winkler, Simon, Hornstein, Lieder and Peterson, N., introduced:

H. F. No. 2813, A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring commissioner to prioritize for state funding certain metropolitan area projects that have been awarded federal funding; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 174.03, subdivision 1.

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

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2814, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a water main in the city of Walker; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Hilty introduced:

H. F. No. 2815, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for phase 2 of the Moose Lake sex offender treatment program facilities.

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

Morrow introduced:

H. F. No. 2816, A bill for an act relating to Nicollet County; providing a process for making certain offices appointive in Nicollet County.

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

Morrow introduced:

H. F. No. 2817, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for wastewater improvements in the city of Lafayette; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Johnson, Hausman, Paymar, Mahoney and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2818, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a snowmaking system for the Battle Creek Winter Recreation Area; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Johnson, Hausman, Paymar, Mahoney and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2819, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Lower Afton Trail; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Eastlund and Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 2820, A bill for an act relating to public safety; creating a matching-grant pilot program to assist communities in providing safe transportation for intoxicated persons; requiring a report; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169A.

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

Hansen and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 2821, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money to acquire and distribute statewide high resolution digital elevation data.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 2822, A bill for an act relating to highways; appropriating money for expansion of Trunk Highway 60 in Faribault and related improvements; authorizing sale of trunk highway bonds.

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

Bigham, Atkins and Hansen introduced:

H. F. No. 2823, A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for restorative justice services.

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

Kalin, Eken and Hansen introduced:

H. F. No. 2824, A bill for an act relating to water; classifying the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District as a watershed management organization.

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

Atkins introduced:

H. F. No. 2825, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Heritage Village Park in Inver Grove Heights.

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

Gardner introduced:

H. F. No. 2826, A bill for an act relating to noxious weeds; requiring the designation of buckthorn as a primary noxious weed.

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

Welti introduced:

H. F. No. 2827, A bill for an act relating to local government; amending county historical society funding; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 138.053.

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

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 2828, A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting an owner of property on an island to obtain a cartway to obtain access from the property to a navigable waterway; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 164.08, subdivision 2.

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

Hornstein and Kelliher introduced:

H. F. No. 2829, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Minneapolis parkway improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Davnie introduced:

H. F. No. 2830, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for an emergency operations center and regional fire training center in the city of Minneapolis.

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

Davnie introduced:

H. F. No. 2831, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for infrastructure improvements and right-of-way acquisition within the Franklin LRT Station and 46th Street Station redevelopment areas in the city of Minneapolis.

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

Slawik introduced:

H. F. No. 2832, A bill for an act relating to highways; appropriating money for preliminary engineering of improvements along a portion of Trunk Highway 5 in Maplewood; authorizing sale of trunk highway bonds.

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

Slawik introduced:

H. F. No. 2833, A bill for an act relating to highways; appropriating money for feasibility study of improvements along Trunk Highway 5 in Maplewood.

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

Wollschlager introduced:

H. F. No. 2834, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a pedestrian bridge over the Cannon River; authorizing sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Liebling, Norton, Welti and Demmer introduced:

H. F. No. 2835, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to design and construct improvements to the Mayo Civic Center Complex in Rochester.

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

Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2836, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; requiring the commissioner of natural resources to provide recommendations on the development of a nonmetro regional parks and trails system; appropriating money for acquisition and betterment of nonmetro regional parks; authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds.

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

Thao, Huntley and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2837, A bill for an act relating to optometrist; changing practice and licensing provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 148.56; 148.57; 148.571; 148.573, subdivision 1; 148.575; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 148.573, subdivisions 2, 3; Minnesota Rules, part 6500.2100.

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

Thao, Huntley and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 2838, A bill for an act relating to health occupations; providing for disciplinary action for enumerated conduct; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 148.571; 148.603; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 148; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 148.57, subdivision 3.

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

Brynaert introduced:

H. F. No. 2839, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Mankato to predesign and design a performing arts theater and Southern Minnesota Women's Hockey Exposition Center.

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

Cornish introduced:

H. F. No. 2840, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a community center in the city of Pemberton; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Nornes introduced:

H. F. No. 2841, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for aquatic habitat acquisition; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Ruud and Paulsen introduced:

H. F. No. 2842, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for Camp Eden Wood in Eden Prairie.

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

Simon introduced:

H. F. No. 2843, A bill for an act relating to elections; awarding two electoral votes to the presidential candidate with the highest nationwide vote total; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 208.02; 208.05.

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

Simon and Winkler introduced:

H. F. No. 2844, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for an Environmental Impact Statement and preliminary engineering for the Southwest Transit Way Corridor; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

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

Ward, Doty, Solberg and Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 2845, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Cuyuna State Recreation Area; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Greiling and Scalze introduced:

H. F. No. 2846, A bill for an act relating to education; modifying eligibility standards for alternative facilities bonding; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 123B.59, subdivision 1.

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

Laine and Tillberry introduced:

H. F. No. 2847, A bill for an act relating to the city of Fridley; authorizing a tax increment district.

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

Bly introduced:

H. F. No. 2848, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Mill Towns State Trail.

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

Gottwalt and Haws introduced:

H. F. No. 2849, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for land acquisition for Quarry Park and Nature Preserve; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Brown introduced:

H. F. No. 2850, A bill for an act relating to taxation; property tax; extending certain agricultural classification to brothers and sisters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 273.124, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2007 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 14.

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

Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 2851, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Southside Fire Hall in Grand Rapids.

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

Hansen introduced:

H. F. No. 2852, A bill for an act relating to local government aid; providing additional aid to certain cities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 477A.011, subdivision 36.

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

Bigham and Johnson introduced:

H. F. No. 2853, A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring installation of specific service signs on marked Trunk Highway 61.

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

Hansen introduced:

H. F. No. 2854, A bill for an act relating to local government aid; providing additional aid to certain cities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 477A.011, subdivision 36.

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

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Thissen moved that the name of Murphy, E., be added as an author on H. F. No. 202. The motion prevailed.

Rukavina moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 390. The motion prevailed.

Otremba moved that the name of Sviggum be stricken and the name of Drazkowski be added as an author on H. F. No. 992. The motion prevailed.

McNamara moved that the name of Wollschlager be added as an author on H. F. No. 1207. The motion prevailed.

Poppe moved that the name of Brown be added as an author on H. F. No. 1535. The motion prevailed.

Nelson moved that the name of Murphy, E., be added as an author on H. F. No. 1583. The motion prevailed.

Brod moved that the name of Sviggum be stricken and the name of Gottwalt be added as an author on H. F. No. 1615. The motion prevailed.

Dominguez moved that the name of Greiling be added as an author on H. F. No. 1734. The motion prevailed.

Dill moved that the name of Madore be added as an author on H. F. No. 1989. The motion prevailed.

Hansen moved that the name of Bigham be added as an author on H. F. No. 2199. The motion prevailed.

Howes moved that the name of Anderson, S., be added as an author on H. F. No. 2329. The motion prevailed.

Ruud moved that the name of Murphy, E., be added as an author on H. F. No. 2477. The motion prevailed.

Johnson moved that the name of Thao be added as an author on H. F. No. 2483. The motion prevailed.

Pelowski moved that his name be stricken as an author on H. F. No. 2501. The motion prevailed.

Tschumper moved that the names of Scalze and Murphy, M., be added as authors on H. F. No. 2522. The motion prevailed.

Ward moved that the names of Dettmer and Otremba be added as authors on H. F. No. 2524. The motion prevailed.

Seifert moved that the names of Magnus, Nornes and Westrom be added as authors on H. F. No. 2529. The motion prevailed.

Benson moved that the name of Ward be added as an author on H. F. No. 2535. The motion prevailed.

Atkins moved that the name of Brod be added as an author on H. F. No. 2541. The motion prevailed.

Atkins moved that the name of Bigham be added as an author on H. F. No. 2546. The motion prevailed.

Dill moved that the name of Ward be added as an author on H. F. No. 2550. The motion prevailed.

Knuth moved that the name of Heidgerken be added as an author on H. F. No. 2552. The motion prevailed.

Winkler moved that the name of Loeffler be added as an author on H. F. No. 2553. The motion prevailed.

Carlson moved that the names of Loeffler and Tschumper be added as authors on H. F. No. 2554. The motion prevailed.

Slawik moved that the name of Loeffler be added as an author on H. F. No. 2555. The motion prevailed.

Murphy, M., moved that the name of Loeffler be added as an author on H. F. No. 2558. The motion prevailed.

Tschumper moved that the name of Doty be added as an author on H. F. No. 2621. The motion prevailed.

Westrom moved that the name of Drazkowski be added as an author on H. F. No. 2687. The motion prevailed.

Slawik moved that the name of Loeffler be added as an author on H. F. No. 2689. The motion prevailed.

Juhnke moved that H. F. No. 2480 be returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

Fritz moved that H. F. No. 2601 be returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

Erhardt, Urdahl, Smith, McNamara and Mariani introduced:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5, A House concurrent resolution relating to the establishment of a committee on immigration matters in both houses of the legislature.

The house concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

TAKE FROM THE TABLE

Sertich moved that H. F. No. 2285 be taken from the table, that the Speaker appoint a Conference Committee of five members of the House, and that the House requests that a like committee be appointed by the Senate to confer on the disagreeing votes of the two houses. The motion prevailed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following members of the House to a Conference Committee on H. F. No. 2285:

Sertich, Wagenius, Hansen, Moe and Ozment.

IN MEMORIAM

The members of the House paused for a moment of silence in memory of former Representative Bob McEachern of St. Michael, Minnesota, who served from 1973 to 1992 and passed away on Wednesday, February 6, 2008.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

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

Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs: Delete the name of Heidgerken and add the name of Drazkowski.

Finance: Add the name of Heidgerken.

Finance/State Government Finance Division: Add the name of Drazkowski.

Ways and Means: Add the name of Drazkowski.

ADJOURNMENT

Sertich moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 14, 2008. 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, February 14, 2008.

ALBIN A. MATHIOWETZ, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

