

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-SIXTH SESSION — 2009

ELEVENTH DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009

The House of Representatives convened at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dennis J. Johnson, House Chaplain.

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

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abeler	Dettmer	Haws	Liebling	Norton	Simon
Anderson, B.	Dill	Hilstrom	Lieder	Obermueller	Slawik
Anderson, P.	Dittrich	Hilty	Lillie	Olin	Slocum
Anderson, S.	Doepke	Holberg	Loeffler	Otremba	Smith
Anzenc	Doty	Hoppe	Loon	Paymar	Solberg
Atkins	Downey	Hornstein	Mack	Pelowski	Sterner
Beard	Drazkowski	Hortman	Magnus	Peppin	Swails
Bigham	Eastlund	Hosch	Mahoney	Persell	Thao
Bly	Eken	Jackson	Mariani	Peterson	Tillberry
Brod	Emmer	Johnson	Marquart	Poppe	Torkelson
Brown	Falk	Juhnke	Masin	Reinert	Urdahl
Brynaert	Faust	Kahn	McFarlane	Rosenthal	Wagenius
Buesgens	Fritz	Kalin	McNamara	Rukavina	Ward
Bunn	Gardner	Kath	Morgan	Ruud	Welti
Carlson	Garofalo	Kelly	Morrow	Sailer	Westrom
Champion	Gottwalt	Kiffmeyer	Mullery	Sanders	Winkler
Clark	Greiling	Knuth	Murdock	Scalze	Zellers
Cornish	Gunther	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Scott	Spk. Kelliher
Davids	Hackbarth	Kohls	Murphy, M.	Seifert	
Davnie	Hamilton	Laine	Nelson	Sertich	
Dean	Hansen	Lanning	Newton	Severson	
Demmer	Hausman	Lenczewski	Nornes	Shimanski	

A quorum was present.

Benson and Howes were excused.

Huntley was excused until 11:35 a.m. Lesch was excused until 12:20 p.m. Hayden was excused until 7:30 p.m. Thissen was excused until 7:40 p.m.

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

REPORTS OF CHIEF CLERK

S. F. No. 94 and H. F. No. 100, which had been referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison, were examined and found to be identical with certain exceptions.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Winkler moved that the rules be so far suspended that S. F. No. 94 be substituted for H. F. No. 100 and that the House File be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed.

S. F. No. 212 and H. F. No. 329, which had been referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison, were examined and found to be identical with certain exceptions.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Reinert moved that the rules be so far suspended that S. F. No. 212 be substituted for H. F. No. 329 and that the House File be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND DIVISIONS

Carlson from the Committee on Finance to which was referred:

H. F. No. 10, A bill for an act relating to property taxation; repealing the 2008 changes to the Green Acres law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.111, subdivisions 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 11a; Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 6, section 52; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.111, subdivision 3a.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 5, after line 22, insert:

"Sec. 9. **REVIVAL.**

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 645.36, Minnesota Statutes, section 273.111, subdivision 6, is revived, effective the day following final enactment.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment."

Re-number the sections in sequence

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes.

The report was adopted.

Eken from the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 60, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; establishing a state trail; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 85.015, by adding a subdivision.

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

The report was adopted.

Carlson from the Committee on Finance to which was referred:

H. F. No. 117, A bill for an act relating to state government finance; providing deficiency funding for certain state agencies; appropriating money.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The report was adopted.

Eken from the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 162, A bill for an act relating to waters; modifying drainage system provisions; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 103E.065; 103E.227; 103E.401, subdivision 3; 103E.505, subdivision 3; 103E.611, subdivision 1; 103E.735, subdivision 1; 103E.805, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103E.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 1, line 12, strike "county"

Page 3, delete section 3 and insert:

"Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103E.401, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Petition.** A person seeking authority to use an established drainage system as an outlet must petition the drainage authority. When the petition is filed, the drainage authority in consultation with the auditor shall set a time and location for a hearing on the petition and shall give notice by mail and notice by publication of the hearing. The auditor must be paid a fee of \$5 plus 30 cents for each notice mailed in excess of ten the actual costs for the hearing notices by the petitioner."

Page 4, delete sections 7 to 9 and insert:

"Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103E.805, is amended to read:

103E.805 REMOVAL OF PROPERTY FROM ~~AND PARTIAL ABANDONMENT OF A DRAINAGE SYSTEM.~~

Subdivision 1. **Petition.** After ~~the~~ construction of a drainage system, ~~the~~ an owner of benefited property may petition the drainage authority to remove property from the drainage system ~~or abandon any part of the drainage system that is not of public benefit and utility and does not serve a substantial useful purpose to property remaining in the system if:~~

~~(1) waters are diverted from property assessed for benefits so that the drainage from the property does not use or affect the drainage system; or~~

~~(2) a dam authorized by law is constructed in the drainage system so that the property above the dam cannot use or receive benefits from the drainage system.~~

Subd. 2. **Filing.** If the drainage system is under the jurisdiction of a county drainage authority, the petition must be filed with the auditor of the county. If the drainage system is under the jurisdiction of a joint county drainage authority, the petition must be filed with the county having the largest area of property in the drainage system, where the primary drainage system records are kept. If the system is under the jurisdiction of a watershed district, the petition must be filed with the secretary of the district.

Subd. 3. **Hearing.** (a) When the petition is filed, the drainage authority in consultation with the auditor or the secretary shall set a time and location for a hearing on the ~~partial abandonment~~ petition and shall give notice ~~by publication~~ of the hearing by mail to the owners of all property benefited by the drainage system and by publication to all other persons interested in the drainage system.

(b) At the hearing, the drainage authority shall make findings and shall direct, by order, that the petitioners' property be removed from the drainage system if the drainage authority determines:

(1) that the waters from the petitioners' property have been diverted from the drainage system, or that ~~a dam has been lawfully constructed and~~ the property cannot significantly or regularly use the drainage system;

(2) that the property is not benefited by the drainage system ~~and does not use or affect the drainage system;~~ and

(3) that removing the property from the drainage system will not prejudice the property owners and property remaining in the system.

~~(c) The drainage authority shall make findings and direct, by order, that part of the drainage system be abandoned if the drainage authority determines that part of the drainage system does not serve a substantial useful purpose to any property remaining in the system and is not of a substantial public benefit and utility.~~

Subd. 4. **Effect of removing property from drainage system.** The property that has been removed from the drainage system is not affected by the drainage system at any later proceeding for the repair or improvement of the drainage system and a drainage lien or assessment for repairs or improvements may not be made against the property that has been removed on or after the date of the order.

Subd. 5. **Liens and assessments on property removed ~~or abandoned~~ from a drainage system.** An order under this section does not release the property from a drainage lien filed on account of the drainage system before the date of the order. An order under this section does not release the property from any assessment or a drainage lien filed on or after the date of the order for costs incurred on account of the drainage system before the date of the order."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Correct the title numbers accordingly

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections.

The report was adopted.

Eken from the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 230, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; extending Casey Jones Trail; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 85.015, subdivision 2.

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

The report was adopted.

Eken from the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 297, A bill for an act relating to dogs; creating a regional dog park permit and matching grant program in the Twin Cities metropolitan area; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 473.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 2, delete lines 26 to 35 and insert:

"(d) The Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission created by section 473.303 shall advise the council on the implementation and operation of the regional dog park permit program in section 473.361 and the dog park matching grant program established under this section."

Page 3, after line 10, insert:

"Sec. 4. **APPLICATION.**

Sections 1 to 3 apply in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington."

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections.

The report was adopted.

Solberg from the Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

H. F. No. 392, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing a federal update; modifying computation of net income and payment of corporate franchise tax refunds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 289A.02, subdivision 7; 290.01, subdivisions 19, 19a, 19c, 19d, 31, by adding a subdivision; 290.067, subdivision 2a; 290A.03, subdivisions 3, 15; 291.005, subdivision 1.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 12, line 22, delete "and"

Page 12, line 24, delete "(13)." and insert "(12); and"

Page 12, after line 24, insert:

"(xvi) the amount deducted for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers under section 62(a)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code."

Page 14, line 10, delete "and"

Page 14, line 12, delete "(13)." and insert "(12); and"

Page 14, after line 12, insert:

"(xvi) the amount deducted for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers under section 62(a)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code."

Page 17, line 3, delete "\$7,100,000" and insert "\$7,150,000"

Page 17, line 8, after the period, insert "To the extent delayed refunds fail to equal \$15,795,000 for fiscal year 2009 or \$7,150,000 for fiscal year 2011 as provided in paragraph (a) or (b) as applicable, the commissioner of finance may assign other corporate franchise tax refunds paid in fiscal year 2010 or fiscal year 2012 to the fiscal year in which the commissioner paid them to satisfy the applicable amount under paragraph (a) or (b) for purposes of budget reporting."

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass.

The report was adopted.

Eken from the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 403, A bill for an act relating to environment; requiring certain yard waste containers to be compostable; establishing biodegradable standard for certain plastics; providing civil penalties; requiring rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 115A.931; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 1, line 17, after "any" insert "plastic" and delete "or container" and after "to" insert "and not removed from"

Page 2, line 2, delete "AND CONTAINERS"

Page 2, lines 4, 5, and 7, delete "or container"

Page 2, delete section 3

Page 2, line 24, delete "to 3" and insert "and 2"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "certain yard waste containers" and insert "plastic yard waste bags"

Page 1, line 4, delete "requiring rulemaking;"

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

The report was adopted.

Hilstrom from the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 448, A bill for an act relating to public safety; allowing emergency 911 systems to include referral to mental health crisis teams; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 403.03; 403.05, subdivision 1.

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

The report was adopted.

Hilstrom from the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Oversight to which was referred:

H. F. No. 449, A bill for an act relating to public safety; peace officers; establishing crisis intervention team grants; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 1, delete line 12

Page 1, line 13, delete "(2)" and insert "(1)"

Page 1, line 14, delete "(3)" and insert "(2)"

Page 1, line 15, delete "(4)" and insert "(3)"

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

The report was adopted.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H. F. No. 392 was read for the second time.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S. F. Nos. 94 and 212 were read for the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Hayden, Champion, Thissen, Clark and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 681, A bill for an act relating to health; establishing an HIV transmission public education program; 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 Care and Human Services Policy and Oversight.

Magnus and Hamilton introduced:

H. F. No. 682, 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.

Rukavina and Sertich introduced:

H. F. No. 683, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for improvements to a municipal wastewater treatment facility; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Brod introduced:

H. F. No. 684, A bill for an act relating to taxation; increasing the city aid base for certain cities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 477A.011, subdivision 36.

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

Nornes introduced:

H. F. No. 685, A bill for an act relating to the military; appropriating money for a grant to Operation Happy Note.

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

Lenczewski and Marquart introduced:

H. F. No. 686, A bill for an act relating to taxation; emergency debt certificates; authorizing cities and counties to issue certificates for unexpected revenue shortfalls; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 275.065, subdivision 6; 475.58, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 475.

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

Mahoney, Johnson, Lesch and Lillie introduced:

H. F. No. 687, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to renovate a waterfall near Lake Phalen in the city of Saint Paul.

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

Rukavina, Hackbarth, Gunther and Poppe introduced:

H. F. No. 688, A bill for an act relating to higher education; modifying the requirements for certain on-sale liquor sales at the University of Minnesota; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 340A.404, subdivision 4a.

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

Knuth, Hansen, Kalin, Hortman, McNamara, Loeffler and Sterner introduced:

H. F. No. 689, A bill for an act relating to energy; mandating inclusion of strategic tree planting as eligible for direct expenditures as energy conservation improvement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 216B.241, by adding a subdivision.

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

Hortman, Lenczewski, Ruud, Knuth, Hilstrom, Hornstein, Liebling, Brynaert and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 690, A bill for an act relating to environment; enacting the Minnesota Clean Car Act; requiring decreased emission of criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gas pollution from new motor vehicles; requiring adoption of low emission standards for motor vehicles; providing for updates as necessary to comply with the federal Clean Air Act; requiring reports; requiring rulemaking; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation and Transit Policy and Oversight Division.

Rukavina, Sertich, Mahoney and Kahn introduced:

H. F. No. 691, A bill for an act relating to state employees; modifying the vacation donation program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 43A.1815.

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

Kahn, Loeffler, Carlson and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 692, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing that certain appropriations continue in effect until eliminated or modified; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

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

Ward and Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 693, A bill for an act relating to public finance; altering the school district referendum market value tax base; modifying the taxation of seasonal recreational property; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 126C.01, subdivision 3; 275.025, subdivisions 1, 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 275.025, subdivision 3.

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

Marquart introduced:

H. F. No. 694, A bill for an act relating to the Office of the Secretary of State; establishing a health care directive registry; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 5.

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

Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 695, A bill for an act relating to marriage; clarifying and modifying certain terms and procedures; specifying forms; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 517.02; 517.03, subdivision 2; 517.04; 517.05; 517.06; 517.07; 517.08, subdivisions 1a, 1b; 517.10; 517.101; 517.13.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 696, A bill for an act relating to state lands; providing for certain private sales to resolve trespass issues; adding to and deleting from certain state parks; authorizing public and private sales of surplus state land; modifying previous sales authorization and land description; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 84.0273; Laws 2007, chapter 131, article 2, section 38; Laws 2008, chapter 368, article 1, section 21, subdivisions 4, 5.

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

Smith and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 697, A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring law enforcement officers to record the country of citizenship and immigration status of felon arrestees; requiring peace officers to report suspected immigration violations by felon arrestees; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

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

Smith and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 698, A bill for an act relating to crimes; providing a penalty for leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 609.378, subdivision 1.

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

Demmer, Shimanski, Gottwalt, Kiffmeyer, Dettmer and Eastlund introduced:

H. F. No. 699, A bill for an act relating to education; prohibiting negotiation of teacher contracts during the school year; repealing the January 15 penalty for failing to settle teacher contracts; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 179A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 123B.05.

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

Demmer and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 700, A bill for an act relating to transportation; allowing specific service signs for JOBZ businesses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 160.292, subdivisions 21, 22.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation and Transit Policy and Oversight Division.

Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 701, A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing the Minnesota Institute for Public Policy to assist legislators and other policy makers in creating public policy; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3D.

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

Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 702, A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring the collection and reporting of specified summary data relating to decisions that affect a child's status within the juvenile justice system; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260B.

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

Hosch, Anzelc, Abeler, Otremba and Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 703, A bill for an act relating to human services; providing long-term care provider rate adjustments; modifying the phase-in of rebased nursing facility rates; providing funding for nursing facility moratorium exceptions and extending project approval; requiring the commissioner of human services to develop recommendations on specialized care; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 144A.073, by adding a subdivision; 256B.441, subdivisions 31, 51a, 55, by adding a subdivision.

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

Knuth, Kelliher, Davnie, Davids, Seifert, Fritz, Sanders, Hosch, Winkler, Hilstrom, Brod and Zellers introduced:

H. F. No. 704, A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating life insurance; prohibiting stranger-originated life insurance; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 60A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 61A.073; 61A.074.

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

Loeffler; Huntley; Thissen; Atkins; Norton; Ruud; Murphy, E.; Scalze; Fritz and Abeler introduced:

H. F. No. 705, A bill for an act relating to health; promoting preventive health care by requiring high deductible health plans used with a health savings account to cover preventive care with no deductible as permitted by federal law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62Q.65.

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

Thissen, Eken, Fritz and Gunther introduced:

H. F. No. 706, A bill for an act relating to human services; authorizing certain retroactive payments; authorizing certain additional elderly waiver services; establishing time frames for determining medical assistance eligibility; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 256B.0645; 256B.0915, by adding a subdivision; 256B.19, by adding a subdivision.

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

Hortman, Simon, Dittrich, Ruud, Garofalo, McNamara, Paymar, Lesch, Kalin, Knuth, Laine, Slocum, Masin, Tillberry, Johnson, Hilstrom and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 707, A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring notice to voter of rejection of absentee ballot; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 203B.

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

Falk, Bly, Knuth, Kalin, Hilty, Sailer, Anzelc, Hansen, Morgan, Koenen, Kahn, Persell and Murphy, E., introduced:

H. F. No. 708, A bill for an act relating to energy; providing funding for clean energy resource teams; appropriating money.

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

Nelson introduced:

H. F. No. 709, A bill for an act relating to game and fish; modifying requirements for the use of duck decoys; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 97B.811, subdivisions 2, 3.

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

Faust introduced:

H. F. No. 710, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; changing duties of the Food Safety and Defense Task Force; changing membership and procedures of the Minnesota Organic Advisory Task Force; eliminating language requiring two annual reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 28A.21, subdivision 5; 31.94; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 17.49, subdivision 3; 18G.12, subdivision 5.

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

Faust introduced:

H. F. No. 711, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing Independent School District No. 333, Ogilvie, to conduct an operating referendum more than once per year.

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

Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 712, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for an Asian Pacific Cultural Center; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Howes; Cornish; Smith; Westrom; Anderson, S., and Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 713, A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing limited personal use of fireworks; requiring an affidavit of safety guidelines; providing for criminal penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 624.

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

Thao introduced:

H. F. No. 714, A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing collaborative services for high-risk children; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256.

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

Newton, Dettmer, Kahn, Champion, Haws, Persell and Sterner introduced:

H. F. No. 715, A bill for an act relating to state procurement; designating businesses owned by disabled veterans as targeted group businesses for purposes of awarding certain state and metropolitan agency contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 16C.16, subdivision 5.

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

Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 716, A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing a tax on interest rates over 15 percent; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 290.

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

Haws, Gottwalt, Hosch, Severson and Anderson, P., introduced:

H. F. No. 717, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing the sale and 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.

Nornes, Smith, Doty, Westrom and Dettmer introduced:

H. F. No. 718, A bill for an act relating to highways; designating I-94 as POW/MIA Memorial Highway; requiring POW/MIA flag and interpretive sign at each official safety rest area; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

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

Laine, Greiling and Knuth introduced:

H. F. No. 719, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing a fund transfer for Independent School District No. 282, St. Anthony-New Brighton.

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

Hilstrom, Westrom, Holberg, Hayden and Hortman introduced:

H. F. No. 720, A bill for an act relating to crimes; adopting the Uniform Child Witness Testimony by Alternative Methods Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 595.02, subdivisions 3, 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 595.

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

Hornstein; Scalze; Morgan; Greiling; Newton; Obermueller; Murphy, E.; Davnie; Masin; Persell; Dittrich; Sterner; Tillberry and Anzelc introduced:

H. F. No. 721, A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; restructuring the Metropolitan Council as a council of governments; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 15.0597, subdivision 1; 15A.0815, subdivision 3; 352D.02, subdivision 1; 473.123; 473.303, subdivision 2; 473.604, subdivision 1.

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

Thissen; Davnie; Hayden; Liebling; Gardner; Nelson; Fritz; Slocum; Hornstein; Clark; Johnson; Mariani; Davids; Murphy, E.; Rosenthal; Lanning; Hausman; Ruud and Paymar introduced:

H. F. No. 722, A bill for an act relating to taxation; modifying tax preparation services law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 270C.445.

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

Murphy, M., introduced:

H. F. No. 723, A bill for an act relating to retirement; extending filing deadlines; requiring written applications; amending disability benefit provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 352.113, subdivision 4; 352.95, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 352B.10, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision.

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

Kahn; Huntley; Thissen; Murphy, E., and Clark introduced:

H. F. No. 724, A bill for an act relating to health; requiring hospital-acquired infections to be reported as adverse health care events; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 144.7065, subdivision 5.

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

Kahn, Greiling and Hausman introduced:

H. F. No. 725, A bill for an act relating to government operations; requiring a study of the feasibility of consolidating counties and rationalizing other internal boundaries; appropriating money.

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

Murphy, M.; Smith; Nelson and Kahn introduced:

H. F. No. 726, A bill for an act relating to retirement; defining terms; amending disability benefits provisions; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 43A.34, subdivision 4; 299A.465, subdivision 1; 352.01, subdivision 2b; 352B.02, subdivision 1; 352B.10, subdivisions 1, 2; 352B.11, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 352B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.01, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 3b, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11.

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

Murphy, M., by request, introduced:

H. F. No. 727, A bill for an act relating to retirement; amending certain correctional employee disability benefit provisions; defining terms; amending age limits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.95, subdivisions 1, 2, 5, 7, by adding subdivisions.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 728, A bill for an act relating to animals; prohibiting possession of certain devices or substances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 343.31, subdivision 1.

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

Poppe, Buesgens, Kalin, Persell and Anderson, P., introduced:

H. F. No. 729, A bill for an act relating to elections; changing certain requirements for town elections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 205.075, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 367.03, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision.

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

Thao; Juhnke; Hayden; Murphy, E.; Abeler; Gottwalt and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 730, A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring health plans to cover formulary-based wound care; 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 Care and Human Services Policy and Oversight.

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 731, A bill for an act relating to civil actions; modifying civil liability for labor and sex trafficking crimes; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 609.284, subdivision 2.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 732, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Brimson Firefighters Relief Association; permitting an alternate composition of the relief association board of trustees.

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

Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 733, A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying eligibility criteria for school district swimming pool levies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 126C.455.

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

Sterner; Persell; Ruud; Murphy, E.; Nelson; Slocum; Bly; Obermueller and Rosenthal introduced:

H. F. No. 734, A bill for an act relating to human services; extending the bars to set aside disqualifications to corporate adult foster care and corporate child foster care; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 245C.24, subdivisions 3, 4.

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

Sterner, Persell, Slocum, Ruud, Bly, Tillberry, Obermueller and Rosenthal introduced:

H. F. No. 735, A bill for an act relating to human services; changing licensure laws to include licensed professional counselors as licensed mental health professionals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 245.462, subdivision 18.

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

Pelowski introduced:

H. F. No. 736, A bill for an act relating to state government; changing the name of a state agency.

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

Rukavina, Haws, Dettmer, Clark and Hornstein introduced:

H. F. No. 737, A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing certification for rehabilitation counselors for the blind; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 248.07, by adding a subdivision.

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

Pelowski, by request, introduced:

H. F. No. 738, A bill for an act relating to education; amending general aid payments in districts with high online learning enrollment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 127A.47, subdivision 7.

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

Solberg, Koenen and Rukavina introduced:

H. F. No. 739, A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; exemption for pollution control equipment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 272.02, subdivision 10.

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

Mariani introduced:

H. F. No. 740, A bill for an act relating to education finance; appropriating money for the statewide science, technology, engineering, and math initiative.

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

Kahn; Mullery; Murphy, M., and Smith introduced:

H. F. No. 741, A bill for an act relating to retirement; permitting certain employees of the Minneapolis Firefighters Relief Association and Police Relief Association to be members of the Public Employees Retirement Association; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.01, subdivision 6.

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

Hilstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 742, A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for instant runoff voting in federal, state, and local elections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 200.02, by adding a subdivision; 204B.36, subdivision 2; 204D.10, subdivision 1; 205A.03, subdivision 1; 205A.06, subdivision 1a; 206.80; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 204C.

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

Lillie, Mahoney, Lesch and Scalze introduced:

H. F. No. 743, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to restore the channel connecting Round Lake to Lake Phalen in Ramsey County.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 744, A bill for an act relating to employment; appropriating money for a transitional employment training project.

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

Kohls; Brod; Zellers; Downey; Eastlund; Anderson, S.; Lanning and Demmer introduced:

H. F. No. 745, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; increasing subtractions for charitable contributions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 290.01, subdivision 19b; 290.091, subdivision 2.

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

Kohls; Brod; Zellers; Downey; Anderson, S.; Lanning and Demmer introduced:

H. F. No. 746, A bill for an act relating to taxation; allowing the research credit against the individual income tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 290.068, subdivisions 1, 3, 4.

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

Kohls, Brod, Zellers, Downey, Lanning, Demmer and Eastlund introduced:

H. F. No. 747, A bill for an act relating to taxation; income and corporate franchise; conforming to the federal treatment of section 179 allowances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 289A.08, subdivision 7; 290.01, subdivisions 19, 19a, 19c, 31; 290.06, subdivision 2c; 290.091, subdivision 2.

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

Gunther introduced:

H. F. No. 748, A bill for an act relating to higher education; removing policy requirement; allowing the Board of Trustees to determine credit requirements; amending Laws 2007, chapter 144, article 1, section 4, subdivision 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 136F.301.

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

Howes introduced:

H. F. No. 749, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money to reconstruct or replace a culvert under Trunk Highway 64 in Eleventh Crow Wing Lake in Akeley.

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

Sertich and Solberg introduced:

H. F. No. 750, 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.

Benson, Bly, Davnie, Peterson, Greiling, Downey and Slocum introduced:

H. F. No. 751, A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing school districts to create site-governed schools; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123B.

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

Hornstein and Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 752, A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing the adult mental health fatality review team; providing criminal penalties for disclosure of certain data; requiring reports; appropriating money.

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

Sterner, Masin, Morgan, Atkins, Bly, Mack, Hansen, Clark, Reinert and Garofalo introduced:

H. F. No. 753, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for repair and infrastructure projects at the Minnesota Zoo; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Winkler and Bigham introduced:

H. F. No. 754, A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for assessment and payment of certain costs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 211B.37.

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

Simon, Hilstrom, Bigham and Kohls introduced:

H. F. No. 755, A bill for an act relating to crime; adding felony theft to the racketeering statute; adding identity theft to the enhanced penalty for theft; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 609.52, subdivision 3; 609.902, subdivision 4.

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

Hortman, Laine, Tillberry, Newton and Dittrich introduced:

H. F. No. 756, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for a bicycle and pedestrian trail to connect the Northtown Transit hub to the metropolitan regional trail and to provide a safe route for elementary school students; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

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

Murphy, M., by request, and Beard introduced:

H. F. No. 757, A bill for an act relating to retirement; aeronautics; modifying provisions relating to disability or retirement of Department of Transportation pilots; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.86.

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

Persell, Sailer, Johnson, Nelson and Ward introduced:

H. F. No. 758, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; directing Department of Natural Resources to enter into a cooperative wild rice management plan for Big Rice Lake.

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

Bigham, Buesgens, Swails and Greiling introduced:

H. F. No. 759, A bill for an act relating to lobbyists; prohibiting former legislators, constitutional officers, and agency heads from lobbying for legislative or administrative action for two years after leaving office; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A.

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

Ward introduced:

H. F. No. 760, A bill for an act relating to human services; directing the commissioner of human services to allocate permanent funding for Minnesota Faith in Action.

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

Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 761, A bill for an act relating to retirement; requiring an actuarial cost study of a special retirement plan for postsentencing officers.

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

Eken and Olin introduced:

H. F. No. 762, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; repealing certain definitions related to grasslands; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 84.02.

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

Reinert, Newton and Hortman introduced:

H. F. No. 763, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales taxes; providing an exemption from sales tax for construction activities, materials, and equipment used in construction and improvement of the Northern Lights Express Rail Line; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 297A.71, by adding a subdivision; 297A.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

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

Hosch and Buesgens introduced:

H. F. No. 764, A bill for an act relating to local government; requiring notice and public hearing before adopting an interim ordinance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 394.34; 462.355, subdivision 4.

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

Loeffler and Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 765, A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Northtown Rail Yard 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.

Shimanski introduced:

H. F. No. 766, A bill for an act relating to taxation; removing deadline for establishing special service districts without special legislation; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 428A.101.

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

Downey, Rosenthal, Zellers, Brynaert, Kelly, Loon and Mack introduced:

H. F. No. 767, A bill for an act relating to education; repealing the Labor Day school start provisions; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 120A.40.

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

Mariani and Slawik introduced:

H. F. No. 768, A bill for an act relating to early education; modifying the child care assistance program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 119B.13, subdivision 1.

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

Liebling, Welti, Norton and Demmer introduced:

H. F. No. 769, A bill for an act relating to human services; increasing reimbursement rates for nursing facilities located in Olmsted County; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.434, by adding a subdivision.

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

Shimanski introduced:

H. F. No. 770, A bill for an act relating to elections; providing term limits for state legislators and constitutional officers; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, section 6; and article V, sections 2 and 4.

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

Mullery introduced:

H. F. No. 771, A bill for an act relating to medical assistance estate recovery; regulating recovery from estates of cohabiting couples; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.15, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1c, 1h, 1i, 1j, 2, 3, 4.

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

Atkins; Thao; Lillie; Mahoney; Anzelc; Murphy, E., and Lesch introduced:

H. F. No. 772, A bill for an act relating to insurance; limiting the frequency of medical examinations that a physician may perform for motor vehicle insurers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 65B.56, subdivision 1; 72A.201, subdivision 6.

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

Atkins, Davids, Fritz, Anzelc and Zellers introduced:

H. F. No. 773, A bill for an act relating to insurance; clarifying the definition of health carrier; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62A.011, subdivision 2.

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

Knuth, Hilty, Wagenius, Ruud, Hortman, Persell, Kalin, Paymar, Scalze and Hornstein introduced:

H. F. No. 774, A bill for an act relating to the environment; providing for greenhouse gas emissions registry; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216H.

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

Beard introduced:

H. F. No. 775, A bill for an act relating to public safety; motor vehicles; crediting vehicle service fees to the vehicle services operating account; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 168.017, subdivision 5; 168.021, subdivision 4; 168.10, subdivision 1i; 168.29; 168.62, subdivision 3.

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

Lesch, Winkler, Hortman, Westrom and Kohls introduced:

H. F. No. 776, A bill for an act relating to judgments; enacting the Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act adopted and recommended for passage by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 548; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 548.35.

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

Shimanski and Kohls introduced:

H. F. No. 777, A bill for an act relating to education finance; defining similar departments for purposes of the pupil transportation equal treatment statute; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 123B.85, by adding a subdivision.

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

Faust introduced:

H. F. No. 778, A bill for an act relating to education finance; authorizing a school district with a negative fund balance to hold a referendum election at a time other than November; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 126C.17, subdivision 11.

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

Rukavina and Dill introduced:

H. F. No. 779, A bill for an act relating to education finance; eliminating a requirement for contracted school food service vendors to make certain deficit payments; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 124D.111, subdivision 3.

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

Dittrich, Demmer, Greiling, Tillberry and Swails introduced:

H. F. No. 780, A bill for an act relating to education finance; prohibiting the payment of management costs from permanent school trust fund land proceeds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 16A.125, subdivision 5; 93.22, subdivision 1; 93.2236.

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

Kalin introduced:

H. F. No. 781, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; creating a subtraction for voluntary firefighter pensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 290.01, subdivision 19b; 290.091, subdivision 2.

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

Sterner; Persell; Murphy, E.; Slocum; Ruud; Tillberry and Bly introduced:

H. F. No. 782, A bill for an act relating to human services; changing the requirements for shaken baby syndrome training in licensed child care and child foster care programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, sections 245A.144; 245A.1444; 245A.40, subdivision 5; 245A.50, subdivision 5.

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

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES
AND LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Sertich from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration offered the following report and moved its adoption:

Resolved, that the Permanent Rules of the House of Representatives for the 86th Legislative Session shall read as follows:

"PERMANENT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ~~2007~~ 2009-2010

ARTICLE 1 - DAILY BUSINESS

1.01 CONVENING OF THE HOUSE. Unless otherwise ordered, the House convenes at 12:00 p.m. The Speaker must take the chair at the appointed hour and call the House to order.

The call to order is followed by a prayer by the Chaplain or time for a brief meditation, then by the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and then by a call of the roll of members. The names of members present and members excused must be entered in the Journal of the House.

1.02 READING OF THE JOURNAL. If a quorum is present, the Chief Clerk must read the Journal of the preceding day, unless otherwise ordered. The House may correct errors in the Journal of the preceding day.

1.03 ORDER OF BUSINESS. After the Journal is read, the order of business of the day is:

- (1) Presentation of petitions or other communications
- (2) Reports of standing committees and divisions
- (3) Second reading of House bills
- (4) Second reading of Senate bills
- (5) Reports of select committees
- (6) Introduction and first reading of House bills
- (7) Consideration of messages from the Senate
- (8) First reading of Senate bills

(9) Consent Calendar

(10) Calendar for the day

(11) Motions and resolutions

The House may advance or revert from any order of business to any other order of business, by majority vote of the whole House.

Conference committees on House bills and the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may report at any time.

1.04 REPORTING OF BILLS. A bill must be reported to the House on three different days before its passage, except as provided in Rule 5.02. The first report, called the first reading, occurs when it is introduced; the second report, called the second reading, occurs when it has been reported by the appropriate standing committees and divisions for consideration by the House; the third report, called the third reading, occurs when it is ready for the vote on passage.

1.10 INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS. A bill or resolution must be submitted to the Speaker at least 24 hours before the convening of the daily session at which it is to be introduced.

A bill or resolution must be introduced in triplicate and each copy must bear the signature of the member or the name of the committee or division introducing it.

In regular session, a bill prepared by a department or agency of state government must be introduced and given its first reading at least ten days before the date of the first committee deadline.

1.11 FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF BILLS. A bill or resolution must be reported and given its first reading when it is introduced. A bill or resolution must not be objected to when it is introduced.

After its first reading, the Speaker must refer a bill or resolution to the appropriate standing committee or division, except as provided in Rule 1.15 and Rule 1.13.

Congratulatory resolutions referred to in Rule 4.02 are exempt from this Rule.

Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, after the Speaker refers a bill or resolution, a majority vote of the whole House is required for the House to re-refer the bill or resolution.

1.12 AUTHORS OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS. A bill, memorial, or resolution must not have more than 35 authors. After a bill or resolution is introduced and given its first reading: (a) a member may be removed as an author, by motion of the member; and (b) a member wishing to be an author may be added as an author, by motion of the author of the bill or resolution.

1.13 INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE OR DIVISION BILLS. A standing or special committee of the House or a division of the House may introduce a bill as a committee or division bill on any subject within its purview. When a committee or division bill is introduced and read for the first time, the Speaker may refer it to a standing committee or division. If the Speaker does not refer it, the bill must be laid over one day. Then it must be read for the second time and placed on the General Register or, if recommended by the Committee, on the Consent Calendar.

1.14 RECESS BILL INTRODUCTIONS. During the period between the last day of the regular session in an odd-numbered year and the first day of the regular session in the next year, a bill filed with the Speaker for introduction must be given a file number and may be unofficially referred by the Speaker to an appropriate standing committee or division.

1.15 DISPOSITION OF SENATE FILES. A Senate File received by the House that is accompanied by a message announcing its passage by the Senate must be referred to the appropriate standing committee or division under Rule 1.11. But if a Senate File is received that a member requests be compared to a House File already reported by a standing committee or division of the House and placed on the General Register or on the Calendar for the Day or the Consent Calendar, the Senate File must be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. If the Chief Clerk reports that the Senate File is identical to the House File, the Senate File may, by majority vote, be substituted for the House File and take its place. The fact that the bills are identical must be entered in the Journal and the House File is then considered withdrawn.

A Senate File that is amended on the floor of the House, except at the time of final passage, and a Senate File that has been reported to the House with amendments by a House standing committee or division, must be unofficially engrossed and reprinted by the Chief Clerk. An amendment may be offered to an unofficial engrossment of a Senate File.

1.20 GENERAL REGISTER. The General Register consists of all bills that have received a second reading, except those placed on the Consent Calendar under Rule 1.23. Bills must be placed on the General Register in the order that they receive their second reading. A bill must be on the General Register, be given to each member, and be available to the public before it may be considered by the House on the Calendar for the Day or the Fiscal Calendar. Each day that the House meets in session, the Chief Clerk must publish a list of the bills on the General Register.

1.21 CALENDAR FOR THE DAY. The Calendar for the Day is a list of bills that are to be considered that day by the House. The House must consider each item on the Calendar for the Day in the order determined by the presiding officer. After consideration by the House, unless otherwise disposed of, the bill must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage.

A bill that has received its second reading may be placed on the Calendar for the Day by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration or by order of the House upon the motion of a member as provided in this Rule.

The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must designate the bills that are to be on the Calendar for the Day. During regular session, the Committee must designate the bills by 5:00 p.m. the day before the day that the bills are to be on the Calendar, except that the Committee may designate the bills at any time after a day specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. After the Committee designates the bills, the Chief Clerk must publish the Calendar for the Day.

A bill that is on the General Register for more than ten legislative days may be placed on the Calendar for the Day by a majority vote of the whole House, acting on the motion of a member. A bill placed on the Calendar for the Day in this manner must be considered first the next time that the House reaches the order of business "Calendar for the Day." A member must give notice to the Speaker and the Chief Clerk three legislative days before making a motion to place a bill on the Calendar for the Day. The notice must specify the number and title of the bill. Only the member who gave notice to the Speaker and the Chief Clerk, or another member designated in writing by the member who gave notice, may make the motion to place the bill on the Calendar for the Day. After the third legislative day following the day of notice, the motion must be made the first time that the House reaches the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." If the motion is not made at that time, the member who gave notice forfeits the right to make that motion.

A bill may be continued on the Calendar for the Day by a majority vote of the whole House. A third motion by the author of a bill to continue it on the Calendar for the Day is not in order; upon such a motion, the bill must be stricken from the Calendar and returned to the General Register in the order of its second reading. The Calendar for the Day expires when the House adjourns for the day, unless the House, by a majority vote of the whole House, continues items remaining on the Calendar to the next day.

1.22 FISCAL CALENDAR. A finance bill that has had its second reading must be considered by the House when requested by the Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means or by a designee of the Chair. A bill relating to taxes or raising revenue that has had its second reading must be considered by the House when requested by the Chair of the Committee on Taxes or a designee of the Chair.

During regular session, a chair must announce the intention to make the request by 5:00 p.m. the legislative day before the day that the request for consideration is to be made, except that the Chair may designate the bills at any time after a day specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. During periods when the 5:00 p.m. requirement does not apply, the chair must announce the intention at least two hours before making the request.

After consideration by the House on the Fiscal Calendar, unless otherwise disposed of, the bill must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage.

1.23 CONSENT CALENDAR. If a committee or division determines that a bill it recommends to pass is not controversial, the committee or division may in its report recommend that the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. After the report is adopted and the bill has received its second reading, the bill must be placed on the Consent Calendar and given to each member at least one day before it may be considered by the House. Bills must be placed on the Consent Calendar in the order that they receive their second reading and must be considered by the House in the order determined by the presiding officer.

After consideration by the House, a bill on the Consent Calendar must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage. But if, before its third reading, ten members object to the bill as being controversial, the bill must be stricken from the Consent Calendar and be placed on the General Register in the order of second reading.

1.30 THIRD READING OF BILLS. An amendment must not be received after the third reading of a bill without unanimous consent, except to fill blanks or to amend the title.

At any time before it is passed, a bill or resolution may be referred or re-referred by a majority vote of the whole House. If the committee or division to which it is referred or re-referred reports an amendment to it, the bill or resolution must again be given its second reading and placed on the General Register.

1.40 PUBLICATION OF BILLS FOR THE HOUSE. After a bill receives its second reading, the bill must be prepared and published or made electronically available for consideration by the House. A majority of the House may order the publication of a bill at any time.

1.50 ADJOURNING OF THE HOUSE. The House may not meet during a legislative day after midnight, except that the House, by majority vote, may meet past the time of adjournment required by this Rule.

ARTICLE 2 - FLOOR PROCEEDINGS, VOTING, DECORUM

2.01 ABSENCE OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS. Unless illness or other sufficient cause prevents attendance, a member or officer of the House must not be absent from a session of the House without the prior permission of the Speaker.

2.02 CALL OF THE HOUSE. Ten members may demand a call of the House at any time until voting begins. After the House is placed under call, a second roll call on any aspect of a call of the house is out of order.

When a call is demanded, the doors of the chamber must be closed, the roll called, and the absent members sent for; and no member is allowed to leave the chamber until the roll call is suspended or completed. During the roll call, no motion is in order except a motion pertaining to matters incidental to the call.

Proceedings under the roll call may be suspended by a majority vote of the whole House. The Sergeant at Arms must not permit a member to leave the Chamber unless the member is excused by the Speaker, or the call of the House has been lifted by a majority vote of the whole House.

2.03 ROLL CALL VOTE. A roll call vote is required to pass a bill or to adopt a resolution or motion directing the payment of money. In all other cases a roll call vote may be ordered only if 15 members demand it. When the House is taking a roll call vote on another issue, a roll call vote may not be ordered on a motion that members not voting be excused from voting.

2.04 EXPLAINING OR CHANGING VOTE. A member must not explain a vote or discuss the question during a roll call vote. A member must not change a vote or move for the record an intention to have voted or voted differently after the result of the roll call vote is announced from the chair by the Speaker.

2.05 EVERY UNEXCUSED MEMBER TO VOTE. A member who has an immediate interest in a question must not vote on it.

Every other member present before the result of a vote is declared by the presiding officer must vote for or against the matter before the House, unless the House excuses the member from voting. But a member is not required to vote on any matter concerning a memorial resolution.

A member who does not vote when the member's name is called must state reasons for not voting. After the vote has been taken but before the presiding officer has announced the result of the vote, the presiding officer must submit to the House the question: "Shall the member, for the reasons stated, be excused from voting?" The question must be decided without debate. After the question is decided, the presiding officer must announce the result of the vote, after which other proceedings about the nonvoting member may take place.

2.10 ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM. An electronic voting system under the control of the Speaker may be used to take any vote except a vote on an election or if the House is currently taking a roll call. A member must not vote on a question except at the member's own seat in the chamber.

2.15 RECORDED FLOOR PROCEEDINGS. Proceedings on the floor of the House must be recorded on an appropriate audio recording medium under the direction of the Chief Clerk. The Chief Clerk must transmit a copy of the recordings to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library. The Legislative Reference Library must keep the recordings available for public use under its rules during the legislative biennium when the recordings were created and for eight years thereafter. The Library may then preserve or dispose of the recordings as the Library sees fit.

A person may obtain a copy of a recording while it is kept in the Library by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy.

Discussion preserved under this Rule is not intended to be admissible in a court or administrative proceeding on an issue of legislative intent.

2.20 DUTIES OF MEMBERS. Members must keep their seats until the Speaker announces adjournment.

A member, before speaking, must rise and respectfully address the Speaker and must not speak further until recognized by the Speaker. If more than one member rises at the same time, the Speaker must select the member to speak first.

2.21 NOTICE OF INTENT TO DEBATE A RESOLUTION. A member may give notice of intent to debate a resolution, except a resolution introduced as a house file or a senate file under Rule 4.02 or a resolution offered by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration or the Committee on Ethics.

The notice may be given at any time before the vote is taken on the resolution. If the notice is given, the resolution must be laid over one day without debate or any other action.

2.30 QUESTIONS OF ORDER. If a member violates the Rules in any way, the Speaker must, or another member may, call the member to order. The member called to order must immediately sit down unless another member moves to permit the member who was called to order to explain. In either case, the House, if appealed to, must decide the question without debate. Only if the decision is in favor of the member called to order may that member proceed. The House may censure or punish a member called to order.

2.31 OFFENSIVE WORDS IN DEBATE. If a member is called to order for offensive words in debate, the member calling for order must report the words to which exception is taken and the Clerk must record them. A member must not be held to answer, or be subject to censure of the House, for language used in debate unless exception is taken before another member speaks or other business takes place.

2.32 ORDER IN DEBATE. Except for the member who offered the motion, amendment, or proposition under consideration, a member must not speak more than twice on the subject, without leave of the House, nor more than once until every other member wishing to speak on the subject has had an opportunity to do so.

2.33 ORDER DURING SESSION. A member must not walk out of or across the Chamber while the Speaker is putting the question. A member must not engage in private conversation while another member is speaking or pass between a speaking member and the Chair. A member must not disrupt order and decorum in the Chamber by possessing or using any audiovisual display, including but not limited to placards, signs, photographs, visual aids, or the use of any video images or audio, except for such items that are distributed to members at their desks for the purpose of conducting business of the day.

2.34 PERSONS BY THE CHIEF CLERK'S DESK DURING VOTE. No person may remain by the Chief Clerk's desk during a roll call vote.

2.40 ADMITTANCE TO FLOOR. No person other than a member may be admitted to the House Chamber, except: properly authorized employees; the Chief Executive and ex-governors of the State of Minnesota; members of the Senate; heads of departments of the state government; judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and District Courts; members of Congress; those persons invited to address the body or a joint convention of the house and senate, and guests for such an address or joint convention; and properly accredited representatives of radio and television stations, newspapers and press associations, as provided for in these Rules.

Any other person may be issued a permit by the Speaker good for the day, but that person must be seated near the Speaker's rostrum, and must not engage in conversation that disturbs the business of the House. Before issuing a permit, the Speaker must make certain that the person does not seek the floor of the House to influence decisions of the House.

The alcoves in the Chambers are for the use of members only, and the Sergeant at Arms must keep them clear of others.

From one hour before the time the House is scheduled to convene until one hour after the House adjourns for the day, the retiring room is reserved for the exclusive use of the members and employees of the House. As long as the Senate prohibits entry of House members into its retiring room, no Senators may enter the House retiring room during the time it is reserved for exclusive use of members and employees. A committee or division meeting must not be held there except emergency meetings authorized by the Speaker. The Sergeant at Arms must strictly enforce this provision.

Unless an extraordinary condition exists the Speaker must not entertain a request to suspend this Rule or present the request of a member for unanimous consent to suspend this Rule.

2.41 MEDIA NEWS REPORTERS. Accredited representatives of the press, press associations, and radio and television stations must be given equal press privileges by the House. A person wishing to report proceedings of the House may apply to the Chief Sergeant at Arms for a media pass and assignment to suitable available space. The Sergeant may coordinate the issuance of media passes with the appropriate senate authority.

Television stations must be permitted to televise sessions of the House. Media representatives must be allowed access to both wells in the gallery of the House chambers.

2.42 TIME LIMIT FOR CONSIDERATION. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may establish and shall announce parameters for floor consideration of a bill, resolution, or other matter before the House.

ARTICLE 3 - MOTIONS, AMENDMENTS, AND OTHER PROPOSITIONS

3.01 AMENDMENTS AND OTHER MOTIONS. An amendment or other motion must not be debated until after it is stated by the Speaker.

After an amendment or other motion is stated by the Speaker it is in possession of the House, but the mover may withdraw it at any time before it is amended or decided. Unless a motion, resolution, or amendment is withdrawn on the day it is made, it must be entered in the Journal, with the name of the member offering it.

Except as otherwise permitted by the Speaker, an amendment or other motion must be in writing, and five copies of it must be given to the Chief Clerk.

3.02 ORDER OF PUTTING QUESTION; FILLING BLANKS. Except for a privileged question, questions before the House or a committee or division must be put in the order they are moved. In filling a blank, a motion for the largest sum or the longest time must be put first.

3.03 DIVISION OF A QUESTION. A member may request the division of a question that contains more than one separate and distinct point. A motion to strike and insert is not divisible. The failure of a motion to strike does not preclude another motion to amend or to strike and insert.

3.10 PRECEDENCE OF MOTIONS. While a question is under consideration, only the following motions may be received:

- (1) To fix the time of adjournment
- (2) To adjourn

- (3) To lay on the table
- (4) For the previous question
- (5) To refer
- (6) To postpone to a day certain
- (7) To amend
- (8) To postpone indefinitely
- (9) To pass

The first four motions must be decided without debate.

The motions have precedence in the order listed, except that if the motion for the previous question has been properly made, and if necessary seconded, and the main question ordered, the motion to lay on the table is not in order.

3.11 MOTION TO ADJOURN. A motion to adjourn is always in order except during a roll call.

After a motion to adjourn is made, before putting the question, the Speaker may permit any member to state reasons why adjournment might be improper at that time. A statement is not debatable and must be limited to two minutes.

3.12 MOTION TO LAY ON THE TABLE. A motion to lay on the table is not in order on a motion to amend, except that a motion to amend the Rules may be tabled.

3.13 THE PREVIOUS QUESTION. The previous question may be moved by a member who is seconded by 15 members.

If the motion for the previous question is ordered by a majority of members present, its effect is to put an end to all debate and bring the House to direct vote upon the question.

Before the presiding officer submits a motion for the previous question to the House, a call of the House is in order. After a majority has ordered the previous question, a call of the House is not in order before the decision on the main question.

When the previous question is decided in the negative, the main question remains under debate until it is disposed of by a vote on the question, by a subsequent motion calling for the previous question under this Rule, or in some other manner.

All incidental questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question and before the vote on the main question must be decided without debate.

3.14 MOTION TO RECONSIDER. After a question is decided either in the affirmative or negative, a member who voted with the prevailing side may move to reconsider it. The motion must be made on the same day the vote was taken or on either of the next two days that the House meets in session and has possession of the matter. The motion may be made at any time in the Order of Business. It takes precedence over any other question except a motion to adjourn and a notice of intent to move to reconsider. The motion to reconsider, or notice of intent to make it, must not be made if the document, bill, resolution, message, report or other subject of official action on which the vote was taken has left the possession of the House.

When a member gives notice of intent to move to reconsider the final action of the House on a bill, resolution, message, report or other subject of official action, the Chief Clerk must keep it until the matter is disposed of or the time has expired for the motion. In regular session, notice of intent to move to reconsider must not be made in an odd-numbered year after the fifth Monday preceding the last Monday that the House may meet in regular session and in an even-numbered year after a date specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

On the last day allowed for the motion to reconsider, a member who voted on the prevailing side may make the motion, unless the matter has been already disposed of.

If a motion to reconsider fails, it must not be renewed.

3.15 MOTION TO RESCIND. A motion to rescind is not in order at any time in any proceeding in the House or in any committee or division of the House.

3.20 AMENDMENTS TO AMENDMENTS. An amendment may be amended, but an amendment to an amendment must not be amended.

3.21 MOTIONS AND PROPOSITIONS MUST BE GERMANE. A motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration must not be admitted under guise of its being an amendment. A motion, amendment, or other proposition offered to the House is out of order if it is not germane to the matter under consideration. Whether a proposition is germane to the matter under consideration is a question to be decided by the presiding officer, who may put the question to the House.

3.22 AMENDMENT TO INCREASE AN APPROPRIATION OR TAX. The concurrence of a majority of the whole House, determined by a roll call vote, is required to adopt an amendment increasing an appropriation or a tax.

3.23 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. A constitutional amendment may not be offered as an amendment to a bill on the floor.

3.30 EXPENDITURE OF HOUSE FUNDS. The concurrence of a majority of the whole House, determined by a roll call vote, is required for favorable action on a resolution or motion involving the expenditure of money appropriated by the Legislature to the House. The resolution or motion must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before being acted on by the House.

ARTICLE 4 - BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

4.01 BILL AND RESOLUTION FORM. A bill or resolution must not be introduced until it has been examined and approved by the Revisor of Statutes as to form and compliance with these Rules and the Joint Rules of the House and Senate. The Revisor's approval must be endorsed on the bill or resolution.

A bill that is divided into articles may include or be accompanied by a table of contents.

4.02 RESOLUTIONS. A statement of facts being forwarded for action to a governmental official, agency, or body or other similar proposal is a memorial and must be introduced in the same form and take the same course as a bill. A joint resolution and any resolution requiring the signature of the governor must be introduced in the same form and take the same course as a bill.

A resolution must not authorize expenditure from any source other than the money appropriated by the Legislature to the House.

Congratulatory resolutions do not require consideration or adoption by the House.

A resolution must not be changed to a bill, and a bill must not be changed to a resolution.

4.03 WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE; BUDGET RESOLUTION; EFFECT ON EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE BILLS. (a) The Committee on Ways and Means must hold hearings as necessary to determine state expenditures and revenues for the fiscal biennium.

(b) Within 25 days after the last state general fund revenue and expenditure forecast for the next fiscal biennium becomes available during the regular session in the odd-numbered year, the Committee on Ways and Means must adopt a budget resolution. The budget resolution: (1) must set the maximum limit on net expenditures for the next fiscal biennium for the general fund, (2) must set an amount or amounts to be set aside as a budget reserve and a cash flow account, (3) must set net spending limits for each budget category represented by the major finance and revenue bills identified in paragraph (e), and (4) may set limits for expenditures from funds other than the general fund. The budget resolution must not specify, limit, or prescribe revenues or expenditures by any category other than those specified in clauses (1), (2), (3), and (4). After the Committee adopts the budget resolution, the limits in the resolution are effective during the regular session in the year in which the resolution is adopted, unless a different or amended resolution is adopted.

(c) During the regular session in the even-numbered year, before the Committee on Ways and Means reports a bill containing net increases or decreases in expenditures as compared to general fund expenditures in the current fiscal biennium estimated by the most recent state budget forecast, the Committee may adopt a budget resolution. If adopted, the resolution must account for the net changes in expenditures. The resolution may also (1) set limits for changes in net expenditures for each budget category represented by the major finance and revenue bills identified in paragraph (e), and (2) set limits for expenditures from funds other than the general fund.

If the Committee adopts a budget resolution, it is effective during the regular session that year, unless a different or amended resolution is adopted.

(d) The major finance or revenue bills may be combined or separated by a majority vote of either the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Ways and Means, or the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. Combined or separated bills must conform to the limits in the resolution as those limits apply to the accounts in those bills.

(e) Major finance and revenue bills are:

the higher education and workforce development finance bill;

the K-12 education finance bill;

the early childhood ~~learning~~ finance bill;

the agriculture, rural economies, and veterans affairs finance bill;

the environment and natural resources finance bill;

the health care and human services finance bill;

the state government finance bill;

the transportation finance bill;

the public safety finance bill;

the ~~Minnesota heritage~~ cultural and outdoor resources finance bill;

the energy finance bill;

the housing and public health finance bill;

the capital investment bill; and

the tax bill.

(f) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Finance Committee, each finance committee division, and the Committee on Taxes must reconcile each bill described in Rule 4.10 with the resolution. When reporting a finance or revenue bill, each committee or division must provide to the Committee on Ways and Means a fiscal statement reconciling the bill with the resolution.

(g) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Ways and Means must reconcile finance and revenue bills with the resolution. When reporting a bill, the chair of the Committee must certify to the House that the Committee has reconciled the bill with the resolution.

(h) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, an amendment to a bill is out of order if it would cause any of the limits specified in the resolution to be exceeded. Whether an amendment is out of order under this Rule is a question to be decided on the Floor by the Speaker or other presiding officer and in Committee or Division by the person chairing the Committee or Division meeting. In making the determination, the Speaker or other presiding officer or the Committee or Division chair may consider: (1) the limits in a resolution; (2) the effect of existing laws on revenues and expenditures; (3) the effect of amendments previously adopted to the bill under consideration; (4) the effect of bills previously recommended by a Committee or Division or bills previously passed in the legislative session by the House or by the legislature; (5) whether expenditure increases or revenue decreases that would result from the amendment are offset by decreases in other expenditures or increases in other revenue specified by the amendment; and (6) other information reasonably related to expenditure and revenue amounts.

(i) After a resolution is adopted by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee must make available a summary of the estimated fiscal effect on the general fund of each bill that has been referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by the Finance Committee or a division of the Finance Committee, or the Committee on Taxes and of each bill that has been reported by the Committee on Ways and Means.

4.10 BILLS AFFECTING STATE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES. (a) Except as provided in Rule 1.15, a House or Senate bill that directly, substantially, and specifically affects any present or future financial obligation, budget policy, or revenue of the State must be referred as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) to the appropriate Finance or Tax Committee before the bill receives its second reading. A bill that negligibly affects any present or future financial obligation, budget policy, or revenue of the State is not subject to mandatory referral under this rule.

(b) A bill subject to paragraph (a) reported by a Finance Committee division must, if recommended to pass, be subsequently referred to the Finance Committee, unless the bill has a negligible fiscal impact and is subject to direct reference to the Floor under Rule 6.05. Bills subject to paragraph (a) reported by the Finance Committee must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

(c) A bill with a substantial impact on the tax revenues or tax policies of the State must be referred to the Committee on Taxes. A bill reported by the Committee on Taxes containing a substantial fiscal impact must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. For purposes of this paragraph, "tax" excludes any fee, charge, exaction, or assessment, a primary purpose of which is to recover direct or indirect costs incurred by the state or other governmental entity or as a payment for benefits received.

(d) The chairs of the Committees on Taxes, Ways and Means, and Finance shall advise the Speaker on the application of this rule and may determine whether or not any given piece of legislation must be referred to the committee they chair.

4.12 **BILLS AFFECTING DEBT AND CAPITAL PROJECTS.** The Finance Committee Division on Capital Investment has jurisdiction over legislation affecting debt obligations issued by the state and capital projects of the state, including the planning, acquiring and bettering of public lands and buildings and other state projects of a capital nature. Except as provided in Rule 1.15, a House or Senate bill that directly and specifically affects debt obligations or capital projects of the state must be referred to the Finance Committee Division on Capital Investment before the bill receives its second reading.

Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill deals primarily with the financing of state capital facilities using trunk highway funds, with transportation projects financed without debt obligations of the state, or with the local financing of capital facilities of local governments. Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill has a negligible effect on debt obligations and capital projects of the state as determined by the chair of the Committee on Finance, in conjunction with the chair of the Division on Capital Investment, with the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means. Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill is a major finance or revenue bill identified in Rule 4.03, unless the bill directly and specifically affects debt obligations of the state, but if a major finance or revenue bill contains a provision that directly and specifically affects capital projects of the state, the chair of the finance or tax committee reporting the bill must notify the chair of the Committee on Finance and the chair of the Division on Capital Investment of the provision before the bill is considered by the House.

The Speaker, by announcement, must assign to each finance committee the appropriate jurisdiction for recommendations on debt obligations and capital projects of the state. Divisions of the Finance Committee must submit recommendations within their jurisdiction ~~in bill form~~ to the Division on Capital Investment for further disposition.

A bill with a fiscal effect reported by the Division on Capital Investment must be accompanied by a statement of its fiscal effect, is exempt from the referral required by Rule 4.10, is subject to the same committee deadlines as the Finance Committee, and must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. This referral is not required if the bill has a negligible fiscal effect, as determined by the chair of the Division on Capital Investment with the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means.

4.13 **BILLS AFFECTING STATE GOVERNMENT POWERS AND STRUCTURE.** The Committee on ~~Governmental State and Local Government~~ Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections has jurisdiction over a House or Senate bill that:

(a) establishes or reestablishes a department, agency, commission, board, task force, advisory committee or council, or bureau, or other like entity;

(b) delegates rulemaking authority to, or exempts from rulemaking, a department or agency of state government; or

(c) substantially changes the organization of a department or agency of state government or substantially changes, vests or divests the official rights, powers, or duties of an official, department or agency of state government or an institution under its control.

Except as otherwise provided in this Rule and Rule 1.15, a bill that is within the jurisdiction of the Committee on ~~Governmental State and Local Government~~ Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections must be referred to that Committee before it receives its second reading. A committee or division (other than the Committee on ~~Governmental State and Local Government~~ Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections) reporting such a bill

must recommend its re-referral to the Committee on ~~Governmental~~ State and Local Government Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections if reporting before the deadline for action on the bill by that Committee; if reporting after the deadline, the committee or division must recommend re-referral to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The re-referral requirements of this Rule do not apply to the major finance and revenue bills identified in Rule 4.03. If a major finance or revenue bill contains a provision specified in clause (a) or (b) of the definition in this Rule, the chair of the finance or tax committee reporting the bill must notify the chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before the bill is considered by the House.

The re-referral requirements of this Rule do not apply to other bills reported by a finance committee or division or the tax committee or division, except bills that contain a provision specified in clauses (a) and (b) of the definition in this Rule.

4.14 **BILLS PROPOSING MEMORIALS.** A bill or amendment that proposes to have a memorial placed in the Capitol area must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

4.15 **BILLS PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.** A House or Senate bill that proposes a constitutional amendment must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before it receives its second reading. When reporting such a bill, a committee or division, other than the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, must recommend re-referral to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

4.20 **DISPOSITION OF BILLS DURING INTERIM.** Adjournment of the regular session in an odd-numbered year to a day certain in the next year is the same as daily adjournment except that a bill on the Consent Calendar, Calendar for the Day, Fiscal Calendar, or General Register must be returned to the standing committee or division that last acted on the bill.

4.30 **RECALLING BILL FROM COMMITTEE OR DIVISION.** A bill or resolution may be recalled from a committee or division at any time by majority vote of the whole House, be given a second reading and be placed on the General Register. A motion to recall a bill or resolution is in order only under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." This Rule does not apply in a special session or after the deadline for committee reports on House files.

4.31 **TIME LIMIT TO CONSIDER BILLS.** If 20 legislative days after a bill has been referred to a committee or division (other than the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Taxes, the Finance Committee, or a division of one of those committees) a report has not been made on it by the committee or division, its chief author may request that it be returned to the House. The request must be entered in the Journal.

The committee or division must vote on the bill requested within ten calendar days after the day of the request.

If the committee or division fails to vote on it within ten days, the chief author may present a written demand to the Speaker for its immediate return to the House. The demand must be presented within five calendar days after the day that the committee or division is required to vote. If the demand is presented in the time allowed, it must be entered in the Journal and is the demand of the House. The bill is then considered to be in the possession of the House and must be given its second reading and placed on the General Register.

The bill may be re-referred by a majority vote of the whole House. If the motion to re-refer is made on the day of the demand or on the next House legislative day, the motion takes precedence over all other motions except privileged motions and is in order at any time.

ARTICLE 5 - PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE

5.01 SUSPENSION OR AMENDMENT OF THE RULES. The concurrence of two-thirds of the whole House is required to suspend or amend a Rule of the House, except that any amendment to the Rules reported by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may be adopted by a majority of the whole House.

Except as provided in Rule 5.02, a motion to suspend or amend any Rule of the House must be made under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." If the motion is made at another time, unanimous consent is required before the Speaker may entertain the motion.

A motion to suspend the Rules, together with the subject matter to which it pertains, is debatable, but the previous question may be applied to the motion under Rule 3.13.

5.02 SUSPENSION OF RULES TO ADVANCE A BILL. A bill must be reported on three different days as provided in Rule 1.04, except that in case of urgency, a two-thirds majority of the whole House may suspend this requirement. A motion to suspend the Rules to advance a bill for consideration out of its regular order is in order under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions" or at any time the bill is before the House. The motion must be presented to the Speaker in writing and must describe the status of the bill.

5.03 DEFINITIONS. In these Rules the terms "majority vote" and "vote of the House" mean a majority of members present for the vote. The term "vote of the whole House" means a majority of all the members elected to the House.

Singular words used in these Rules include the plural, unless the context indicates a contrary intention.

5.04 AUTHORIZED MANUAL OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE. "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure" governs the House in all applicable cases if it is not inconsistent with these Rules, the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, or established custom and usage.

5.05 CONFLICT OF RULES. When there is a conflict between a single House Rule and a single Joint Rule, the Speaker shall make a ruling as to which applies.

ARTICLE 6 - COMMITTEES, DIVISIONS, AND REPORTS

6.01 COMMITTEES AND DIVISIONS. Standing committees and divisions of the House must be appointed by the Speaker as follows:

~~Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs~~

~~Veterans Affairs Division~~

~~Biosciences and Emerging Technology~~

~~Commerce and Labor~~

~~Labor and Consumer Protection Division~~

~~Telecommunications Regulation and Infrastructure Division~~

~~E-12 Education~~

~~Environment and Natural Resources~~~~Game, Fish and Forestry Division~~~~Ethics~~~~Finance~~~~Agriculture, Rural Economics and Veterans Affairs Finance Division~~~~Capital Investment Finance Division~~~~Education Finance and Economic Competitiveness Finance Division~~~~Early Childhood Learning Finance Division~~~~Higher Education and Work Force Development Policy and Finance Division~~~~K-12 Finance Division~~~~Energy Finance and Policy Division~~~~Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division~~~~Health Care and Human Services Finance Division~~~~Housing Policy and Finance and Public Health Finance Division~~~~Minnesota Heritage Finance Division~~~~Public Safety Finance Division~~~~State Government Finance Division~~~~Transportation Finance Division~~~~Transportation and Transit Policy Subcommittee~~~~Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections~~~~Health and Human Services~~~~Mental Health Division~~~~Licensing Subcommittee~~~~Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs~~~~Public Safety and Civil Justice~~

~~Crime Victims Subcommittee~~

~~Rules and Legislative Administration~~

~~Taxes~~

~~Property Tax Relief and Local Sales Tax Division~~

~~Ways and Means~~

Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs

Veterans Affairs Division

Civil Justice

Commerce and Labor

Labor and Consumer Protection Division

Telecommunications Regulation and Infrastructure Division

Environment Policy and Oversight

Game, Fish and Forestry Division

Ethics

Finance

Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs Finance Division

Capital Investment Finance Division

Cultural and Outdoor Resources Finance Division

Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division

Energy Finance and Policy Division

Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division

Health Care and Human Services Finance Division

Higher Education and Workforce Development Finance and Policy Division

Bioscience and Workforce Development Policy and Oversight Division

Housing Finance and Policy and Public Health Finance Division

K-12 Education Finance Division

Public Safety Finance Division

State Government Finance Division

Transportation Finance and Policy Division

Transportation and Transit Policy and Oversight Division

Health Care and Human Services Policy and Oversight

Licensing Division

K-12 Education Policy and Oversight

Public Safety Policy and Oversight

Crime Victims/Criminal Records Division

Rules and Legislative Administration

State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections

Local Government Division

Taxes

Property and Local Sales Tax Division

Ways and Means

6.02 COMMITTEE AND DIVISION MEMBERSHIP. At least 30 days before the start of a regular session of the Legislature, the Speaker-designate must provide the minority political party caucuses with a list of the standing committees and divisions proposed for the session. The Speaker-designate must prescribe the number of minority caucus members to be appointed to each committee and division and may require general membership guidelines to be followed in the selection of committee and division members.

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

A committee of the House must not have exclusive membership from one profession, occupation or vocation.

A member must not serve as the chair of the same standing committee or division, or a standing committee or division with substantially the same jurisdiction, during more than the three immediately prior consecutive regular biennial sessions. This Rule does not apply to service as chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

6.03 APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. Upon the convening of the biennial session, the Speaker must notify the members of the House of each board or commission to which a member of the House may be appointed by the Speaker. The Speaker must request advice from the minority leader on these appointments.

6.04 SUBCOMMITTEES. The chair of a committee or division must appoint the chair and members of each subcommittee with the advice and consent of the Speaker. The chair or the committee or division may refer bills to a subcommittee. A subcommittee may exercise the authority delegated to it by the chair or by the committee or division.

6.05 DIVISIONS. (a) If the Speaker or the House refers a bill to a division, the bill remains in that division until the House moves the bill from the division or approves a report from the division that moved the bill from that division. A division report under this paragraph is subject to Rule 6.30.

(b) The chair of a committee may refer a bill within the possession of the committee to a division of that committee. When the chair refers a bill to a division under this paragraph, the chair may recall the bill from the division. A committee chair referring or recalling a bill under this paragraph must give written notice of the referral or recall as soon as possible to the Chief Clerk for publication. To the extent practical, the Chief Clerk must attempt to provide notice on the House Web site of referrals and recalls of bills under this paragraph.

(c) The chair of a division must cause division records to be kept in a manner consistent with Rule 6.24.

(d) Division meetings are subject to Rule 6.20.

(e) Divisions are subject to Rule 6.21.

6.10 THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS. The Speaker must appoint a Committee on Ethics consisting of four members: two members from the majority political party caucus, and two from the minority caucus. One alternate from each caucus must also be appointed. The committee must adopt written procedures, which must include due process requirements, for handling complaints and issuing guidelines.

A complaint may be brought about conduct by a member that violates a rule or administrative policy of the House, that violates accepted norms of House behavior, that betrays the public trust, or that tends to bring the House into dishonor or disrepute.

A complaint about a member's conduct must present with specificity the factual evidence supporting the complaint. A complaint must be in writing, under oath and signed by two or more members of the House, and submitted to the Speaker. Before submitting the complaint to the Speaker, the complainants must cause a copy of it and any supporting materials to be delivered to any member named in the complaint. Within seven days after receiving a complaint, the Speaker must refer the complaint to the Ethics Committee for processing by the committee according to its rules of procedure.

The existence and substance of a complaint, including any supporting materials, and all proceedings, meetings, hearings, and records of the Ethics Committee are public; except that the committee, upon a majority vote of the whole committee, may meet in executive session to consider or determine the question of probable cause, to consider a member's medical or other health records, or to protect the privacy of a victim or a third party.

A complaint of a breach of confidentiality by a member or employee of the House must be immediately referred by the Speaker to the Ethics Committee for disciplinary action.

The committee must act in an investigatory capacity and may make recommendations regarding complaints submitted to the Speaker before adjournment sine die. With the approval of the Speaker, the committee may retain a retired judge or other nonpartisan legal advisor to advise and assist the committee, as the committee considers appropriate and necessary in the circumstances of the case, in conducting the proceedings and obtaining a complete and accurate understanding of the information relevant to the conduct in question.

Ethics Committee recommendations for disciplinary action must be supported by clear and convincing evidence and must be reported to the House for final disposition.

6.20 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE; DEADLINES. The Speaker must prepare and publish a schedule of committee meetings, fixing as far as practicable the regular meeting day and time of each committee.

The chair of a committee must give written notice of a special meeting or a change in the regular schedule of meetings. The notice may be announced from the desk and must be posted in public notice locations maintained by the House. The notice must be posted at least one day in advance of the change.

As far as practicable, the chair of a committee must give three days notice of the date, time, place and agenda for each meeting.

Meeting notices must indicate when alternative media will be used to conduct the meeting.

During the first ten weeks of the session in the odd-numbered year and the first five weeks of the session in the even-numbered year, a standing committee must not have a regularly scheduled meeting after noon on Friday, but the Speaker may approve a special meeting of a committee during this time.

A committee must not meet between 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m.

Only the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may meet during a daily session of the House without leave.

The House shall establish deadlines for each regular session by resolution.

6.21 COMMITTEE PROCEDURES. Meetings of House committees must be open to the public except for executive sessions that the committee on ethics considers necessary under Rule 6.10. For purposes of this requirement, a meeting occurs when a quorum is present and action is taken regarding a matter within the jurisdiction of the committee. This requirement does not apply to a meeting of members of a committee from the same political party caucus.

A majority of members of a committee is a quorum.

The Rules of the House must be observed in committee if they are applicable.

An amendment offered in committee must be on a subject that is within the jurisdiction of the committee. Whether an amendment is on a subject that is within the jurisdiction of the committee is a question to be decided by the person chairing the meeting, who may put the question to the committee.

A member of a committee may demand a roll call vote on any bill, resolution, report, motion or amendment before the committee. If a demand is made, the roll must be called. The name of the member demanding the roll call and the vote of each member must be recorded in the committee minutes.

A committee may reconsider an action while the matter remains in the possession of the committee. A committee member need not have voted with the prevailing side to move to reconsider the action.

The chair of a committee, after consultation with the Speaker, may establish written procedures for the submission of amendments to the committee, the setting of committee agendas, and other matters pertaining to the conduct of the committee's business. Before implementing the written procedures, the chair must provide a copy of them to the Speaker and to each member of the House and must make copies available to others upon request.

6.22 PUBLIC TESTIMONY. Public testimony from proponents and opponents must be allowed on every bill or resolution before a standing committee, division or subcommittee of the House.

6.23 OPEN MEETING ENFORCEMENT. A person may submit to the Speaker a complaint alleging a violation of the open meeting requirements of Rule 6.21. The complaint must be in writing. On receiving a complaint, the Speaker, or a person designated by the Speaker, must investigate the complaint promptly. If the Speaker concludes, following investigation, that a violation of the open meeting Rule may have occurred, the Speaker must refer the complaint to the Committee on Ethics for further proceedings.

6.24 COMMITTEE RECORDS. The chair of a standing committee must cause a committee record to be kept, in the form prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. The record must include the record of committee proceedings on each bill referred to the committee and the minutes of the committee and any subcommittees.

The committee and subcommittee minutes must include:

- a. the time and place of each hearing or meeting;
- b. the names of committee or subcommittee members who are present;
- c. the name and address, at the Chair's discretion, of each person appearing before the committee or subcommittee, together with the name and address of the person, association, firm or corporation in whose behalf the appearance is made;
- d. the language of each motion, the name of the member making the motion, the result of a vote on the motion, and, on a roll call vote, the names of those in favor and those opposed;
- e. the date on which a subcommittee is established, the names of its members and the file number of bills referred to it and reported by it;
- f. other important matters related to the work of the committee or subcommittee.

The minutes must be approved at the next regular meeting of the committee or subcommittee.

At the end of two business days after approval by the committee or subcommittee, copies of the minutes must be filed with the Chief Clerk and be open to public inspection in the Chief Clerk's office and on the House Web site.

At the end of the legislative biennium minutes and other records must be delivered to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library.

Audio recordings of Committee and Subcommittee meetings must be made available for public use by the end of the business day following each meeting. The chair of a committee who elects not to release the recording of a committee meeting until the minutes of the meeting are approved by the committee must make a copy of the recording available by the end of the next business day after a written request for it is made to the committee. The House must keep the recordings of committee meetings available for public use during the legislative biennium in which they were created and, at the end of the legislative biennium, must transmit a copy of the recordings to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library.

The Legislative Reference Library must keep committee records and recordings available for public use under its rules for eight years after the end of the legislative biennium during which the materials were created and then may preserve or dispose of the recordings as the Library sees fit.

A person may obtain a copy of a recording during the legislative biennium in which it is created by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A person may obtain a copy of a recording while it is kept in the Library by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A person may obtain a copy of a page of committee minutes or other records for a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A copy of a recording must be provided free to a member or staff of the House upon request for use in legislative business.

Testimony and discussion preserved under this Rule are not intended to be admissible in a court or administrative proceeding on an issue of legislative intent.

6.30 COMMITTEE REPORTS. The House must adopt or reject a committee report on a bill or resolution without amendment.

The chair of a standing committee reporting to the House on a bill or resolution must use the form provided for committee reports. Each bill or resolution must be reported separately. The report must state the action taken by the committee and the date of the action. The report must be authenticated by the signature of the chair.

Before a committee reports favorably on a bill or resolution, the chair must see that the form of the bill or resolution conforms to these Rules and the Joint Rules of the House and Senate.

Except during the last seven legislative days in a year, the committee report and any minority report must be submitted to the Chief Clerk at least four hours before the convening of the daily session. But the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may report at any time.

6.31 SUBSTITUTION OF BILLS. A standing or special committee or division or its members must not report a substitute for a bill referred to the committee or division if the substitute relates to a different subject, is intended to accomplish a different purpose, or requires a title essentially different from that of the bill referred. If the House is advised that a substitute bill reported to the House violates this Rule, the report must not be adopted.

6.32 MINORITY REPORTS. A minority report must be made separately from the majority report and must be considered before the majority report. If the minority report is adopted the majority report must not be considered. If the minority report is not adopted the majority report must then be considered.

6.40 REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES. A conference committee may report at any time and may meet during a daily session of the House without leave. A conference committee report must be electronically available or printed.

A conference committee report must include only subject matter contained in the House or Senate versions of the bill for which that conference committee was appointed, or like subject matter contained in a bill passed by the House or Senate. The member presenting the conference committee report to the House must disclose all substantive changes from the House version of the bill.

6.50 COMMITTEE OR DIVISION REPORT LAID OVER. The report of any committee or division may be laid over one day and printed in the Journal, if so ordered by the House.

ARTICLE 7 - OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

7.01 DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF THE SPEAKER. The Speaker must preside over the House and has all the powers and duties of the presiding officer.

The Speaker must preserve order and decorum. The Speaker may order the lobby or galleries cleared in the case of disorderly conduct or other disturbance.

Except as otherwise provided by rule or law, the Speaker has general control of the Chamber of the House and of the corridors, passages and rooms in the Capitol and State Office Building under the jurisdiction of the House.

The Speaker must sign all acts, addresses, joint resolutions, writs, warrants and subpoenas of the House or issued by order of the House. The Speaker must sign all abstracts for the payment of money from funds appropriated by the Legislature to the House; but money must not be paid unless the abstract is also signed by the Controller of the House. Abstracts for compensation of members must be signed by the Chief Clerk pursuant to law.

The Speaker must appoint the Chief Sergeant at Arms or must designate that officer from among the Sergeants at Arms elected by the House or appointed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

When an elected office of the House becomes vacant, the Speaker must designate a person to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the office as necessary until a successor is elected by the House.

7.02 SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE OF SPEAKER. When the office of Speaker becomes vacant, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration has the powers and must discharge the duties of the office as necessary, until a Speaker is elected by the House or until a speaker-designate is selected as provided in this Rule. The House must elect a Speaker when the House is next called to order. If the Legislature is not in session, within 30 days after the office of Speaker becomes vacant the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must meet and select a speaker-designate to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the office as necessary until a Speaker is elected by the House.

7.05 SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE. The Speaker must appoint one or more members as Speaker pro tempore. A Speaker pro tempore must preside in the Speaker's absence. In the absence of the Speaker and a Speaker pro tempore, a member selected by the Speaker must preside until the Speaker or Speaker pro tempore returns.

7.06 SPEAKER EMERITUS. Any current member having served the House in the capacity of Speaker will, subsequent to that service, be known as Speaker Emeritus, and may perform such ceremonial functions and duties as assigned by the Speaker.

7.10 DUTIES OF CHIEF CLERK. The Chief Clerk has general supervision of all clerical duties pertaining to the business of the House. The Chief Clerk must perform, under the direction of the Speaker, all the duties of the office of Chief Clerk. The Chief Clerk must keep records showing the status and progress of all bills, memorials and resolutions.

During a temporary absence of the Chief Clerk, the First Assistant Chief Clerk has all the usual responsibilities of the Chief Clerk and may sign the daily journal, enrollments, abstracts and other legislative documents.

The Chief Clerk must supervise the engrossment and enrollment of bills. The Chief Clerk must see that a record is kept, by file number, of the bills introduced in the House that passed both houses and are enrolled.

The Chief Clerk must ensure that locations accessible to the public are available to post a list of committee and subcommittee meetings and any other announcements or notices the House may require.

The Index Clerk, supervised by the Chief Clerk, must prepare an index in which bills may be indexed by topic, number, author, subject, section of the statutes amended, committees, divisions, and any other method that will make it a complete and comprehensive index.

The index must be open for public inspection during the legislative session and must be printed in the permanent Journal.

7.20 DUTIES OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS. The Sergeant at Arms must carry out all orders of the House or the Speaker and perform all other services pertaining to the office of Sergeant at Arms, including: maintaining order in the Chamber and other areas used for the business of the House and its committees and divisions and members; supervising the entering and exiting from the Chamber and the other areas; and promptly delivering messages.

ARTICLE 8 - ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOUSE

8.01 BUDGET AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS. The House Controller must prepare a biennial budget for the House. The budget must be approved by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before it is submitted to the State Government Finance Division. By the 15th day of April, July, October, and January of each year, the Controller must submit a detailed report of House expenditures during the previous quarter to the Speaker and the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The House Controller must arrange for the purchase of goods and services for the House. The Controller must seek the lowest possible prices consistent with satisfactory quality and dependability. A contract of the House, or an amendment to a contract, authorizing an expenditure of more than \$500 must be signed by the Speaker or the Controller. A contract, or an amendment to a contract, authorizing an expenditure of up to \$500 may be executed by an employee authorized and directed in writing by the Controller to act for the Controller on the contract or contracts of its type. A contract or amendment to a contract entered into in violation of this Rule is not binding on the House. The House Controller must consult with an adaptive technology expert to identify commercially available upgrades for computers and Internet technology that are compatible with adaptive speech technology prior to purchasing upgrades.

Employees of the House must be reimbursed for actual expenses in the same manner as state employees.

During session, for travel away from the Capitol, members must be reimbursed for actual expenses, in addition to per diem expense allowances, in the manner and amount prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

8.10 COMMITTEE AND DIVISION BUDGETS AND EXPENSES. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must establish a budget for each standing committee and division of the House for expenses incurred by the committee or division, its members, and its staff in conducting its legislative business. Per diem expense allowances paid to members during sessions or at times set by the Speaker or the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must not be charged against the budget. A committee or division must not incur expenses in excess of its authorized budget.

All charges against the committee or division budget must be approved by the chair before payment is made.

8.20 APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must designate the position of and appoint each employee of the House and set the compensation of each officer and employee. A record of the appointments, including positions and compensation, must be kept in the office of the House Controller and must be available for inspection by the public.

The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must establish the procedure for filling employment vacancies when the Legislature is not in session.

An employee of the House may be assigned to other duties, suspended or discharged at any time by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

ARTICLE 9 - CONDUCT

9.01 CODE OF CONDUCT. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, after receiving the recommendation of the Committee on Ethics, must establish and maintain a code of conduct for members, officers and employees of the House.

9.05 CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES. An employee of the House must not participate in campaign activity during working hours. An employee must not be obliged to participate in campaign activities as a condition of employment. A member is not an employee of the House for purposes of this Rule. House equipment must not be used for campaign activities. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must define the terms of and implement this Rule.

9.10 SOLICITATIONS DURING LEGISLATIVE SESSION. During regular or special session, a member of the House, a political party caucus, the member's principal campaign committee, a political committee with the member's name or title, or a committee authorized by the member that benefits the member, must not solicit or accept a contribution from a registered lobbyist, political committee, dissolving principal campaign committee, political fund, or a tribal organization.

A member must not accept compensation for lobbying.

9.20 ACCEPTANCE OF AN HONORARIUM BY A MEMBER. A member must not accept an honorarium for a service performed for an individual or organization that has a direct interest in the business of the House, including, but not limited to, a registered lobbyist or an organization a lobbyist represents. The term "honorarium" does not include reimbursement for expenses incurred and actually paid by a member in performing a service.

Alleged violations of this Rule must be referred to the Committee on Ethics under Rule 6.10. If the Committee on Ethics finds that an honorarium was accepted in violation of this Rule, the Committee must direct its return. If it is not returned, the committee may recommend disciplinary action under Rule 6.10.

9.21 ACCEPTANCE OF TRAVEL AND LODGING BY A MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE. A member or employee of the House must not accept travel or lodging from any foreign government, private for-profit business, labor union, registered lobbyist, or an association thereof, except payment permitted by law of expenses that relate to the member's or employee's participation as a legislator or legislative employee in a meeting or conference. This Rule does not apply to travel or lodging provided to a member in the regular course of the member's employment or business.

9.30 DENIAL OF COMPENSATION WHILE DETAINED. A member must not receive compensation, mileage, or living expenses while the member is incarcerated or on home detention due to a criminal conviction.

9.35 BAN ON LOBBYING. Former state legislators must not register as lobbyists within one year from the date they leave office.

9.40 NO SMOKING IN HOUSE AREAS. Smoking is prohibited in the areas of the Capitol and State Office Building under the jurisdiction of the House, including the House Chamber and Retiring Room and galleries, hearing rooms, minor corridors and offices, private offices, and lounges."

Sertich moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session as follows:

Page 9, line 13, after "announce" insert "time"

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

Seifert; Murdock; Urdahl; Holberg; Loon; Doepke; Shimanski; Nornes; Torkelson; Scott; Anderson, S.; Eastlund; Gunther; Cornish; Smith; Draskowski; Kohls; Mack; Magnus; McNamara; Peppin; McFarlane; Lanning; Dettmer; Severson; Brod; Hoppe and Westrom moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 9, delete the section on time limits for consideration, lines 12 to 14

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

Sertich moved that the House recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed.

RECESS

RECONVENED

The House reconvened and was called to order by the Speaker.

Abeler; Anderson, B.; Eastlund; Mariani; McFarlane and Ruud were excused for the remainder of today's session.

Sterner was excused between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Slawik was excused between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 8:25 p.m.

Dean was excused between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 9:40 p.m.

Dettmer was excused between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 9:50 p.m.

The Seifert et al amendment to the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, was again reported to the House as follows:

Page 9, delete the section on time limits for consideration, lines 12 to 14

PREVIOUS QUESTION

Brod moved the previous question and the motion was properly seconded.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Brod motion for the previous question and the roll was called. There were 30 yeas and 90 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Downey	Hackbarth	Kiffmeyer	Magnus	Shimanski
Beard	Drazkowski	Hamilton	Kohls	Olin	Torkelson
Brod	Emmer	Hoppe	Lanning	Reinert	Urdahl
Buesgens	Garofalo	Kahn	Loon	Sanders	Westrom
Demmer	Gottwalt	Kelly	Mack	Severson	Zellers

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, S.	Dittrich	Holberg	Liebling	Newton	Scott
Anzelc	Doepke	Hornstein	Lieder	Nornes	Seifert
Atkins	Doty	Hortman	Lillie	Norton	Sertich
Bigham	Eken	Hosch	Loeffler	Obermueller	Simon
Bly	Falk	Huntley	Mahoney	Otremba	Slocum
Brown	Faust	Jackson	Marquart	Paymar	Smith
Brynaert	Fritz	Johnson	Masin	Pelowski	Solberg
Bunn	Gardner	Juhnke	McNamara	Peppin	Swails
Carlson	Greiling	Kalin	Morgan	Persell	Thao
Champion	Gunther	Kath	Morrow	Peterson	Thissen
Clark	Hansen	Knuth	Mullery	Poppe	Tillberry
Cornish	Hausman	Koenen	Murdock	Rosenthal	Wagenius
Davids	Haws	Laine	Murphy, E.	Rukavina	Ward
Davnie	Hayden	Lenczewski	Murphy, M.	Sailer	Welti
Dill	Hilstrom	Lesch	Nelson	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher

The motion did not prevail and the previous question was not ordered.

POINT OF ORDER

Buesgens raised a point of order pursuant to rule 2.32 relating to the order in debate. The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken.

The question recurred on the Seifert et al amendment and the roll was called. There were 52 yeas and 72 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Downey	Holberg	Lesch	Olin	Severson
Anderson, S.	Drazkowski	Hoppe	Loon	Otremba	Shimanski
Beard	Emmer	Kahn	Mack	Paymar	Smith
Brod	Falk	Kalin	Magnus	Peppin	Torkelson
Buesgens	Garofalo	Kelly	McNamara	Rosenthal	Urdahl
Cornish	Gottwalt	Kiffmeyer	Mullery	Rukavina	Westrom
Davids	Gunther	Kohls	Murdock	Sanders	Zellers
Demmer	Hackbarth	Lanning	Murphy, M.	Scott	
Doepke	Hamilton	Lenczewski	Nornes	Seifert	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anzelc	Dittrich	Hilty	Liebling	Norton	Slocum
Atkins	Doty	Hornstein	Lieder	Obermueller	Solberg
Bigham	Eken	Hortman	Lillie	Pelowski	Sterner
Bly	Faust	Hosch	Loeffler	Persell	Swails
Brown	Fritz	Huntley	Mahoney	Peterson	Thao
Brynaert	Gardner	Jackson	Marquart	Poppe	Thissen
Bunn	Greiling	Johnson	Masin	Reinert	Tillberry
Carlson	Hansen	Juhnke	Morgan	Sailer	Wagenius
Champion	Hausman	Kath	Morrow	Scalze	Ward
Clark	Haws	Knuth	Murphy, E.	Sertich	Welti
Davnie	Hayden	Koenen	Nelson	Simon	Winkler
Dill	Hilstrom	Laine	Newton	Slawik	Spk. Kelliher

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Anderson, S., moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 29, after line 24, insert:

"8.11 SPECIAL SESSION EXPENSES. No member may be paid a housing allowance or receive per diem payments for days spent in a special session required to pass the necessary and ongoing budget of the State."

Sertich moved that the Anderson, S., amendment to the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Sertich motion and the roll was called. There were 75 yeas and 48 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anzelc	Eken	Hortman	Liebling	Norton	Slocum
Atkins	Falk	Hosch	Lieder	Olin	Solberg
Bigham	Faust	Huntley	Lillie	Otremba	Thao
Bly	Fritz	Jackson	Loeffler	Paymar	Thissen
Brown	Greiling	Johnson	Mahoney	Pelowski	Tillberry
Brynaert	Hamilton	Juhnke	Marquart	Persell	Wagenius
Bunn	Hansen	Kahn	Masin	Peterson	Ward
Carlson	Hausman	Kath	Morgan	Poppe	Welti
Champion	Haws	Knuth	Morrow	Rukavina	Winkler
Clark	Hayden	Koenen	Mullery	Sailer	Spk. Kelliher
Davnie	Hilstrom	Laine	Murphy, E.	Sertich	
Dill	Hilty	Lanning	Murphy, M.	Simon	
Doty	Hornstein	Lesch	Nelson	Slawik	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, P.	Dittrich	Hackbarth	Loon	Peppin	Shimanski
Anderson, S.	Doepke	Holberg	Mack	Reinert	Smith
Beard	Downey	Hoppe	Magnus	Rosenthal	Sterner
Brod	Drazkowski	Kalin	McNamara	Sanders	Swails
Buesgens	Gardner	Kelly	Murdock	Scalze	Torkelson
Cornish	Garfalo	Kiffmeyer	Newton	Scott	Urdahl
Davids	Gottwalt	Kohls	Nornes	Seifert	Westrom
Demmer	Gunther	Lenczewski	Obermueller	Severson	Zellers

The motion prevailed and the Anderson, S., amendment was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

Garfalo moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 13, line 12, strike "the Committee on Finance"

Page 13, lines 30 and 31, strike "the Finance Committee"

Page 13, line 31, strike "each finance committee division" and insert "each Ways and Means committee division"

Page 14, lines 19 and 20, strike "by the Finance Committee or a division of the Finance Committee" and insert "by a division of the Ways and Means Committee"

Page 14, line 25, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 14, line 29, delete "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 14, line 30, delete "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 14, line 32, strike everything after the period

Page 14, strike line 33

Page 15, line 4, strike "and Finance"

Page 15, lines 7 and 8, strike "The Finance Committee Division" and insert "The Ways and Means Committee division"

Page 15, line 13, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 15, line 20, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 15, lines 20 and 21, strike "with the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means"

Page 15, line 26, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 15, line 30, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 15, line 34, strike "Finance" and insert "Ways and Means"

Page 15, lines 34 and 35, strike "and must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means"

Page 17, line 20, strike "the Finance Committee"

Page 20, delete line 9 and insert "Ways and Means"

The Chief Clerk is instructed to make any further technical changes required to eliminate references to the Finance Committee from House Rules, and to insert the Committee on Ways and Means into all functions heretofore reserved for the Finance Committee.

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Anderson, S., moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 19, delete line 34

Page 20, delete lines 1 to 35 and insert:

"Agriculture Policy and Finance

Capital Investment

Civil Law

Commerce

Education Policy and Finance

Environment Policy and Finance

Government Operations, Veterans, and State Government Finance

Health and Human Services Policy and Finance

Jobs Development and Higher Education Policy and Finance

Public Safety Policy and Finance

Rules

Taxes

Transportation Policy and Finance

Ways and Means"

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Anderson, S., amendment and the roll was called. There were 42 yeas and 82 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Davids	Gottwalt	Kiffmeyer	Murdock	Shimanski
Anderson, S.	Demmer	Gunther	Kohls	Nornes	Smith
Beard	Doepke	Hackbarth	Lanning	Peppin	Sterner
Brod	Downey	Hamilton	Loon	Sanders	Torkelson
Buesgens	Drazkowski	Holberg	Mack	Scott	Urdahl
Bunn	Emmer	Hoppe	Magnus	Seifert	Westrom
Cornish	Garofalo	Kelly	McNamara	Severson	Zellers

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anzelc	Falk	Huntley	Lillie	Olin	Slawik
Atkins	Faust	Jackson	Loeffler	Otremba	Slocum
Bigham	Fritz	Johnson	Mahoney	Paymar	Solberg
Bly	Gardner	Juhnke	Marquart	Pelowski	Swails
Brown	Greiling	Kahn	Masin	Persell	Thao
Brynaert	Hansen	Kalin	Morgan	Peterson	Thissen
Carlson	Hausman	Kath	Morrow	Poppe	Tillberry
Champion	Haws	Knuth	Mullery	Reinert	Wagenius
Clark	Hayden	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Rosenthal	Ward
Davnie	Hilstrom	Laine	Murphy, M.	Rukavina	Welti
Dill	Hilty	Lenczewski	Nelson	Sailer	Winkler
Dittrich	Hornstein	Lesch	Newton	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher
Doty	Hortman	Liebling	Norton	Sertich	
Eken	Hosch	Lieder	Obermueller	Simon	

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

McNamara moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 26, after line 21, insert:

"6.33 APPOINTMENT TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. The Speaker shall appoint at least one member of the minority, who has voted on the prevailing side of the bill, to every conference committee appointed by the House."

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the McNamara amendment and the roll was called. There were 46 yeas and 78 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Beard	Buesgens	Davids	Doepke	Garofalo
Anderson, S.	Bigham	Bunn	Demmer	Downey	Gottwalt
Anzelc	Brod	Cornish	Dill	Drazkowski	Gunther

Hackbarth	Kath	Mack	Peppin	Seifert	Urdahl
Hamilton	Kelly	Magnus	Rosenthal	Severson	Westrom
Holberg	Kiffmeyer	McNamara	Sanders	Shimanski	Zellers
Hoppe	Kohls	Murdock	Scalze	Swails	
Kalin	Loon	Nornes	Scott	Torkelson	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Atkins	Faust	Huntley	Lillie	Obermueller	Slawik
Bly	Fritz	Jackson	Loeffler	Olin	Slocum
Brown	Gardner	Johnson	Mahoney	Otremba	Smith
Brynaert	Greiling	Juhnke	Marquart	Paymar	Solberg
Carlson	Hansen	Kahn	Masin	Pelowski	Sterner
Champion	Hausman	Knuth	Morgan	Persell	Thao
Clark	Haws	Koenen	Morrow	Peterson	Thissen
Davnie	Hayden	Laine	Mullery	Poppe	Tillberry
Dittrich	Hilstrom	Lanning	Murphy, E.	Reinert	Wagenius
Doty	Hilty	Lenczewski	Murphy, M.	Rukavina	Ward
Eken	Hornstein	Lesch	Nelson	Sailer	Welti
Emmer	Hortman	Liebling	Newton	Sertich	Winkler
Falk	Hosch	Lieder	Norton	Simon	Spk. Kelliher

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Severson moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 24, after line 13, insert:

"6.23 MEETINGS PROHIBITED. No House Committee, task force, working group, or other working body of the House shall meet in the two months prior to a regular election of House members, unless a special session has been called by the Governor, or the Governor has notified the Speaker of a probable special session during this period."

Renumber the rules accordingly

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Severson amendment and the roll was called. There were 39 yeas and 85 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Demmer	Gunther	Kohls	Peppin	Torkelson
Anzelc	Dill	Hackbarth	Lanning	Sanders	Urdahl
Beard	Doepke	Hamilton	Loon	Scott	Westrom
Brod	Drazkowski	Holberg	Mack	Seifert	Zellers
Buesgens	Gardner	Hoppe	Magnus	Severson	
Cornish	Garofalo	Kelly	Murdock	Shimanski	
Davids	Gottwalt	Kiffmeyer	Nornes	Smith	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, S.	Emmer	Jackson	Mahoney	Paymar	Sterner
Atkins	Falk	Johnson	Marquart	Pelowski	Swails
Bigham	Faust	Juhnke	Masin	Persell	Thao
Bly	Fritz	Kahn	McNamara	Peterson	Thissen
Brown	Greiling	Kalin	Morgan	Poppe	Tillberry
Brynaert	Hansen	Kath	Morrow	Reinert	Wagenius
Bunn	Hausman	Knuth	Mullery	Rosenthal	Ward
Carlson	Haws	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Rukavina	Welti
Champion	Hayden	Laine	Murphy, M.	Sailer	Winkler
Clark	Hilstrom	Lenczewski	Nelson	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher
Davnie	Hilty	Lesch	Newton	Sertich	
Dittrich	Hornstein	Liebling	Norton	Simon	
Doty	Hortman	Lieder	Obermueller	Slawik	
Downey	Hosch	Lillie	Olin	Slocum	
Eken	Huntley	Loeffler	Otremba	Solberg	

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Gottwalt moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 29, after line 14, insert:

"8.05 PER DIEM AND HOUSING. The per diem and housing allowances for the 86th Session of the House of Representatives shall be established at no more than the levels and periods allowed during the 84th Session."

Sertich moved that the Gottwalt amendment to the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Sertich motion and the roll was called. There were 78 yeas and 46 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anzelc	Eken	Huntley	Lillie	Norton	Slawik
Atkins	Falk	Jackson	Loeffler	Olin	Slocum
Bigham	Faust	Johnson	Magnus	Otremba	Solberg
Bly	Fritz	Juhnke	Mahoney	Paymar	Swails
Brown	Greiling	Kahn	Marquart	Pelowski	Thao
Brynaert	Hansen	Kath	Masin	Persell	Thissen
Carlson	Hausman	Knuth	Morgan	Peterson	Tillberry
Champion	Haws	Koenen	Morrow	Poppe	Wagenius
Clark	Hayden	Laine	Mullery	Rukavina	Ward
Cornish	Hilstrom	Lanning	Murphy, E.	Sailer	Welti
Davnie	Hilty	Lesch	Murphy, M.	Scott	Westrom
Dill	Hornstein	Liebling	Nelson	Sertich	Winkler
Doty	Hortman	Lieder	Newton	Simon	Spk. Kelliher

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, P.	Dittrich	Gunther	Kiffmeyer	Obermueller	Shimanski
Anderson, S.	Doepke	Hackbarth	Kohls	Peppin	Smith
Beard	Downey	Hamilton	Lenczewski	Reinert	Sterner
Brod	Drazkowski	Holberg	Loon	Rosenthal	Torkelson
Buesgens	Emmer	Hoppe	Mack	Sanders	Urdahl
Bunn	Gardner	Hosch	McNamara	Scalze	Zellers
Davids	Garofalo	Kalin	Murdock	Seifert	
Demmer	Gottwalt	Kelly	Nornes	Severson	

The motion prevailed and the Gottwalt amendment was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

Smith moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 9, line 5, after the comma, insert "online media,"

Page 9, line 10, after "stations" insert "and online media"

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

Sertich moved that the Smith amendment to the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The question was taken on the Sertich motion and the roll was called. There were 80 yeas and 44 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anzelc	Eken	Huntley	Loeffler	Paymar	Solberg
Bigham	Falk	Jackson	Mahoney	Pelowski	Sterner
Bly	Faust	Johnson	Marquart	Persell	Swails
Brown	Fritz	Juhnke	Masin	Peterson	Thao
Brynaert	Greiling	Kahn	Morgan	Poppe	Tillberry
Bunn	Hausman	Kath	Morrow	Reinert	Wagenius
Carlson	Haws	Knuth	Mullery	Rosenthal	Ward
Champion	Hayden	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Rukavina	Welti
Clark	Hilstrom	Kohls	Murphy, M.	Sailer	Winkler
Cornish	Hilty	Laine	Nelson	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher
Davnie	Hoppe	Lenczewski	Newton	Sertich	
Dill	Hornstein	Lesch	Norton	Simon	
Dittrich	Hortman	Lieder	Olin	Slawik	
Doty	Hosch	Lillie	Otremba	Slocum	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, P.	Beard	Davids	Doepke	Gardner	Gunther
Anderson, S.	Brod	Dean	Downey	Garofalo	Hackbarth
Atkins	Buesgens	Demmer	Drazkowski	Gottwalt	Hamilton

Hansen	Lanning	McNamara	Sanders	Smith	Zellers
Holberg	Liebling	Murdock	Scott	Thissen	
Kalin	Loon	Nornes	Seifert	Torkelson	
Kelly	Mack	Obermueller	Severson	Urdahl	
Kiffmeyer	Magnus	Peppin	Shimanski	Westrom	

The motion prevailed and the Smith amendment was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

Slawik was excused for the remainder of today's session.

Holberg moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 12, line 26, delete "Committee on Ways and Means" and insert "House of Representatives"

Page 12, line 33, delete "Committee" and insert "House"

Page 13, line 4, delete "Committee" and insert "House"

Page 13, line 9, delete "Committee" and insert "House"

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

Solberg moved that the Holberg amendment to the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The Speaker called Juhnke to the Chair.

The question was taken on the Solberg motion and the roll was called. There were 73 yeas and 51 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anzelc	Clark	Hansen	Huntley	Laine	Masin
Atkins	Davnie	Hausman	Jackson	Lenczewski	Morgan
Bigham	Dill	Hayden	Johnson	Lesch	Morrow
Bly	Doty	Hilstrom	Juhnke	Lieder	Murphy, E.
Brown	Eken	Hilty	Kahn	Lillie	Murphy, M.
Brynaert	Falk	Hornstein	Kath	Loeffler	Nelson
Carlson	Faust	Hortman	Knuth	Mahoney	Newton
Champion	Fritz	Hosch	Koenen	Marquart	Norton

Olin	Peterson	Scalze	Sterner	Wagenius
Otremba	Reinert	Sertich	Swails	Ward
Paymar	Rosenthal	Simon	Thao	Welti
Pelowski	Rukavina	Slocum	Thissen	Winkler
Persell	Sailer	Solberg	Tillberry	Spk. Kelliher

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, P.	Demmer	Gottwalt	Kelly	Murdock	Shimanski
Anderson, S.	Dettmer	Greiling	Kiffmeyer	Nornes	Smith
Beard	Dittrich	Gunther	Kohls	Obermueller	Torkelson
Brod	Doepke	Hackbarth	Lanning	Peppin	Urdahl
Buesgens	Downey	Hamilton	Liebling	Poppe	Westrom
Bunn	Drazkowski	Haws	Loon	Sanders	Zellers
Cornish	Emmer	Holberg	Mack	Scott	
Davids	Gardner	Hoppe	Magnus	Seifert	
Dean	Garofalo	Kalin	McNamara	Severson	

The motion prevailed and the Holberg amendment was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

Zellers moved to amend the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration relating to the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, as follows:

Page 17, after line 11, insert:

"4.21 BUDGET ON LAST DAY OF SESSION. On the last day that bills may be passed in a regular session, any major revenue and finance bill that has not been passed into law or sent to the Governor for consideration shall be brought to the floor by motion of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, or shall be recalled from conference by the House. These bills shall be debated and considered for passage by the House prior to adjournment."

Renumber the rules accordingly

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Zellers amendment and the roll was called. There were 42 yeas and 83 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson, P.	Dean	Garofalo	Kelly	McNamara	Severson
Anderson, S.	Demmer	Gottwalt	Kiffmeyer	Murdock	Shimanski
Beard	Dettmer	Gunther	Kohls	Nornes	Smith
Brod	Doepke	Hackbarth	Lanning	Peppin	Torkelson
Buesgens	Downey	Hamilton	Loon	Sanders	Urdahl
Cornish	Drazkowski	Holberg	Mack	Scott	Westrom
Davids	Emmer	Hoppe	Magnus	Seifert	Zellers

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anzelc	Eken	Hosch	Lieder	Obermueller	Simon
Atkins	Falk	Huntley	Lillie	Olin	Slocum
Bigham	Faust	Jackson	Loeffler	Otremba	Solberg
Bly	Fritz	Johnson	Mahoney	Paymar	Sterner
Brown	Gardner	Juhnke	Marquart	Pelowski	Swails
Brynaert	Greiling	Kahn	Masin	Persell	Thao
Bunn	Hansen	Kalin	Morgan	Peterson	Thissen
Carlson	Hausman	Kath	Morrow	Poppe	Tillberry
Champion	Haws	Knuth	Mullery	Reinert	Wagenius
Clark	Hayden	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Rosenthal	Ward
Davnie	Hilstrom	Laine	Murphy, M.	Rukavina	Welti
Dill	Hilty	Lenczewski	Nelson	Sailer	Winkler
Dittrich	Hornstein	Lesch	Newton	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher
Doty	Hortman	Liebling	Norton	Sertich	

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

The question recurred on the Sertich motion that the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration and the proposed Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session, as amended, be now adopted and the roll was called.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

There were 82 yeas and 43 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anzelc	Eken	Hosch	Lieder	Obermueller	Slocum
Atkins	Falk	Huntley	Lillie	Olin	Solberg
Bigham	Faust	Jackson	Loeffler	Otremba	Sterner
Bly	Fritz	Johnson	Mahoney	Paymar	Swails
Brown	Gardner	Juhnke	Marquart	Pelowski	Thao
Brynaert	Greiling	Kahn	Masin	Persell	Thissen
Bunn	Hansen	Kalin	Morgan	Peterson	Tillberry
Carlson	Hausman	Kath	Morrow	Poppe	Wagenius
Champion	Haws	Knuth	Mullery	Reinert	Ward
Clark	Hayden	Koenen	Murphy, E.	Rukavina	Welti
Davnie	Hilstrom	Laine	Murphy, M.	Sailer	Winkler
Dill	Hilty	Lenczewski	Nelson	Scalze	Spk. Kelliher
Dittrich	Hornstein	Lesch	Newton	Sertich	
Doty	Hortman	Liebling	Norton	Simon	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson, P.	Cornish	Doepke	Gottwalt	Hoppe	Loon
Anderson, S.	Dauids	Downey	Gunther	Kelly	Mack
Beard	Dean	Drazkowski	Hackbarth	Kiffmeyer	Magnus
Brod	Demmer	Emmer	Hamilton	Kohls	McNamara
Buesgens	Dettmer	Garofalo	Holberg	Lanning	Murdock

Nornes	Sanders	Severson	Torkelson	Zellers
Peppin	Scott	Shimanski	Urdahl	
Rosenthal	Seifert	Smith	Westrom	

The motion prevailed and the Report from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, as amended, and the Permanent Rules of the House for the 86th Session were adopted and read as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - DAILY BUSINESS

1.01 CONVENING OF THE HOUSE. Unless otherwise ordered, the House convenes at 12:00 p.m. The Speaker must take the chair at the appointed hour and call the House to order.

The call to order is followed by a prayer by the Chaplain or time for a brief meditation, then by the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and then by a call of the roll of members. The names of members present and members excused must be entered in the Journal of the House.

1.02 READING OF THE JOURNAL. If a quorum is present, the Chief Clerk must read the Journal of the preceding day, unless otherwise ordered. The House may correct errors in the Journal of the preceding day.

1.03 ORDER OF BUSINESS. After the Journal is read, the order of business of the day is:

- (1) Presentation of petitions or other communications
- (2) Reports of standing committees and divisions
- (3) Second reading of House bills
- (4) Second reading of Senate bills
- (5) Reports of select committees
- (6) Introduction and first reading of House bills
- (7) Consideration of messages from the Senate
- (8) First reading of Senate bills
- (9) Consent Calendar
- (10) Calendar for the day
- (11) Motions and resolutions

The House may advance or revert from any order of business to any other order of business, by majority vote of the whole House.

Conference committees on House bills and the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may report at any time.

1.04 REPORTING OF BILLS. A bill must be reported to the House on three different days before its passage, except as provided in Rule 5.02. The first report, called the first reading, occurs when it is introduced; the second report, called the second reading, occurs when it has been reported by the appropriate standing committees and divisions for consideration by the House; the third report, called the third reading, occurs when it is ready for the vote on passage.

1.10 INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS. A bill or resolution must be submitted to the Speaker at least 24 hours before the convening of the daily session at which it is to be introduced.

A bill or resolution must be introduced in triplicate and each copy must bear the signature of the member or the name of the committee or division introducing it.

In regular session, a bill prepared by a department or agency of state government must be introduced and given its first reading at least ten days before the date of the first committee deadline.

1.11 FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF BILLS. A bill or resolution must be reported and given its first reading when it is introduced. A bill or resolution must not be objected to when it is introduced.

After its first reading, the Speaker must refer a bill or resolution to the appropriate standing committee or division, except as provided in Rule 1.15 and Rule 1.13.

Congratulatory resolutions referred to in Rule 4.02 are exempt from this Rule.

Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, after the Speaker refers a bill or resolution, a majority vote of the whole House is required for the House to re-refer the bill or resolution.

1.12 AUTHORS OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS. A bill, memorial, or resolution must not have more than 35 authors. After a bill or resolution is introduced and given its first reading: (a) a member may be removed as an author, by motion of the member; and (b) a member wishing to be an author may be added as an author, by motion of the author of the bill or resolution.

1.13 INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE OR DIVISION BILLS. A standing or special committee of the House or a division of the House may introduce a bill as a committee or division bill on any subject within its purview. When a committee or division bill is introduced and read for the first time, the Speaker may refer it to a standing committee or division. If the Speaker does not refer it, the bill must be laid over one day. Then it must be read for the second time and placed on the General Register or, if recommended by the Committee, on the Consent Calendar.

1.14 RECESS BILL INTRODUCTIONS. During the period between the last day of the regular session in an odd-numbered year and the first day of the regular session in the next year, a bill filed with the Speaker for introduction must be given a file number and may be unofficially referred by the Speaker to an appropriate standing committee or division.

1.15 DISPOSITION OF SENATE FILES. A Senate File received by the House that is accompanied by a message announcing its passage by the Senate must be referred to the appropriate standing committee or division under Rule 1.11. But if a Senate File is received that a member requests be compared to a House File already reported by a standing committee or division of the House and placed on the General Register or on the Calendar for the Day or the Consent Calendar, the Senate File must be referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison. If the Chief Clerk reports that the Senate File is identical to the House File, the Senate File may, by majority vote, be substituted for the House File and take its place. The fact that the bills are identical must be entered in the Journal and the House File is then considered withdrawn.

A Senate File that is amended on the floor of the House, except at the time of final passage, and a Senate File that has been reported to the House with amendments by a House standing committee or division, must be unofficially engrossed and reprinted by the Chief Clerk. An amendment may be offered to an unofficial engrossment of a Senate File.

1.20 GENERAL REGISTER. The General Register consists of all bills that have received a second reading, except those placed on the Consent Calendar under Rule 1.23. Bills must be placed on the General Register in the order that they receive their second reading. A bill must be on the General Register, be given to each member, and be available to the public before it may be considered by the House on the Calendar for the Day or the Fiscal Calendar. Each day that the House meets in session, the Chief Clerk must publish a list of the bills on the General Register.

1.21 CALENDAR FOR THE DAY. The Calendar for the Day is a list of bills that are to be considered that day by the House. The House must consider each item on the Calendar for the Day in the order determined by the presiding officer. After consideration by the House, unless otherwise disposed of, the bill must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage.

A bill that has received its second reading may be placed on the Calendar for the Day by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration or by order of the House upon the motion of a member as provided in this Rule.

The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must designate the bills that are to be on the Calendar for the Day. During regular session, the Committee must designate the bills by 5:00 p.m. the day before the day that the bills are to be on the Calendar, except that the Committee may designate the bills at any time after a day specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. After the Committee designates the bills, the Chief Clerk must publish the Calendar for the Day.

A bill that is on the General Register for more than ten legislative days may be placed on the Calendar for the Day by a majority vote of the whole House, acting on the motion of a member. A bill placed on the Calendar for the Day in this manner must be considered first the next time that the House reaches the order of business "Calendar for the Day." A member must give notice to the Speaker and the Chief Clerk three legislative days before making a motion to place a bill on the Calendar for the Day. The notice must specify the number and title of the bill. Only the member who gave notice to the Speaker and the Chief Clerk, or another member designated in writing by the member who gave notice, may make the motion to place the bill on the Calendar for the Day. After the third legislative day following the day of notice, the motion must be made the first time that the House reaches the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." If the motion is not made at that time, the member who gave notice forfeits the right to make that motion.

A bill may be continued on the Calendar for the Day by a majority vote of the whole House. A third motion by the author of a bill to continue it on the Calendar for the Day is not in order; upon such a motion, the bill must be stricken from the Calendar and returned to the General Register in the order of its second reading. The Calendar for the Day expires when the House adjourns for the day, unless the House, by a majority vote of the whole House, continues items remaining on the Calendar to the next day.

1.22 FISCAL CALENDAR. A finance bill that has had its second reading must be considered by the House when requested by the Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means or by a designee of the Chair. A bill relating to taxes or raising revenue that has had its second reading must be considered by the House when requested by the Chair of the Committee on Taxes or a designee of the Chair.

During regular session, a chair must announce the intention to make the request by 5:00 p.m. the legislative day before the day that the request for consideration is to be made, except that the Chair may designate the bills at any time after a day specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. During periods when the 5:00 p.m. requirement does not apply, the chair must announce the intention at least two hours before making the request.

After consideration by the House on the Fiscal Calendar, unless otherwise disposed of, the bill must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage.

1.23 CONSENT CALENDAR. If a committee or division determines that a bill it recommends to pass is not controversial, the committee or division may in its report recommend that the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. After the report is adopted and the bill has received its second reading, the bill must be placed on the Consent Calendar and given to each member at least one day before it may be considered by the House. Bills must be placed on the Consent Calendar in the order that they receive their second reading and must be considered by the House in the order determined by the presiding officer.

After consideration by the House, a bill on the Consent Calendar must immediately be given its third reading and placed upon its passage. But if, before its third reading, ten members object to the bill as being controversial, the bill must be stricken from the Consent Calendar and be placed on the General Register in the order of second reading.

1.30 THIRD READING OF BILLS. An amendment must not be received after the third reading of a bill without unanimous consent, except to fill blanks or to amend the title.

At any time before it is passed, a bill or resolution may be referred or re-referred by a majority vote of the whole House. If the committee or division to which it is referred or re-referred reports an amendment to it, the bill or resolution must again be given its second reading and placed on the General Register.

1.40 PUBLICATION OF BILLS FOR THE HOUSE. After a bill receives its second reading, the bill must be prepared and published or made electronically available for consideration by the House. A majority of the House may order the publication of a bill at any time.

1.50 ADJOURNING OF THE HOUSE. The House may not meet during a legislative day after midnight, except that the House, by majority vote, may meet past the time of adjournment required by this Rule.

ARTICLE 2 - FLOOR PROCEEDINGS, VOTING, DECORUM

2.01 ABSENCE OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS. Unless illness or other sufficient cause prevents attendance, a member or officer of the House must not be absent from a session of the House without the prior permission of the Speaker.

2.02 CALL OF THE HOUSE. Ten members may demand a call of the House at any time until voting begins. After the House is placed under call, a second roll call on any aspect of a call of the House is out of order.

When a call is demanded, the doors of the chamber must be closed, the roll called, and the absent members sent for; and no member is allowed to leave the chamber until the roll call is suspended or completed. During the roll call, no motion is in order except a motion pertaining to matters incidental to the call.

Proceedings under the roll call may be suspended by a majority vote of the whole House. The Sergeant at Arms must not permit a member to leave the Chamber unless the member is excused by the Speaker, or the call of the House has been lifted by a majority vote of the whole House.

2.03 ROLL CALL VOTE. A roll call vote is required to pass a bill or to adopt a resolution or motion directing the payment of money. In all other cases a roll call vote may be ordered only if 15 members demand it. When the House is taking a roll call vote on another issue, a roll call vote may not be ordered on a motion that members not voting be excused from voting.

2.04 EXPLAINING OR CHANGING VOTE. A member must not explain a vote or discuss the question during a roll call vote. A member must not change a vote or move for the record an intention to have voted or voted differently after the result of the roll call vote is announced from the chair by the Speaker.

2.05 EVERY UNEXCUSED MEMBER TO VOTE. A member who has an immediate interest in a question must not vote on it.

Every other member present before the result of a vote is declared by the presiding officer must vote for or against the matter before the House, unless the House excuses the member from voting. But a member is not required to vote on any matter concerning a memorial resolution.

A member who does not vote when the member's name is called must state reasons for not voting. After the vote has been taken but before the presiding officer has announced the result of the vote, the presiding officer must submit to the House the question: "Shall the member, for the reasons stated, be excused from voting?" The question must be decided without debate. After the question is decided, the presiding officer must announce the result of the vote, after which other proceedings about the nonvoting member may take place.

2.10 ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM. An electronic voting system under the control of the Speaker may be used to take any vote except a vote on an election or if the House is currently taking a roll call. A member must not vote on a question except at the member's own seat in the chamber.

2.15 RECORDED FLOOR PROCEEDINGS. Proceedings on the floor of the House must be recorded on an appropriate audio recording medium under the direction of the Chief Clerk. The Chief Clerk must transmit a copy of the recordings to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library. The Legislative Reference Library must keep the recordings available for public use under its rules during the legislative biennium when the recordings were created and for eight years thereafter. The Library may then preserve or dispose of the recordings as the Library sees fit.

A person may obtain a copy of a recording while it is kept in the Library by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy.

Discussion preserved under this Rule is not intended to be admissible in a court or administrative proceeding on an issue of legislative intent.

2.20 DUTIES OF MEMBERS. Members must keep their seats until the Speaker announces adjournment.

A member, before speaking, must rise and respectfully address the Speaker and must not speak further until recognized by the Speaker. If more than one member rises at the same time, the Speaker must select the member to speak first.

2.21 NOTICE OF INTENT TO DEBATE A RESOLUTION. A member may give notice of intent to debate a resolution, except a resolution introduced as a house file or a senate file under Rule 4.02 or a resolution offered by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration or the Committee on Ethics.

The notice may be given at any time before the vote is taken on the resolution. If the notice is given, the resolution must be laid over one day without debate or any other action.

2.30 QUESTIONS OF ORDER. If a member violates the Rules in any way, the Speaker must, or another member may, call the member to order. The member called to order must immediately sit down unless another member moves to permit the member who was called to order to explain. In either case, the House, if appealed to, must decide the question without debate. Only if the decision is in favor of the member called to order may that member proceed. The House may censure or punish a member called to order.

2.31 OFFENSIVE WORDS IN DEBATE. If a member is called to order for offensive words in debate, the member calling for order must report the words to which exception is taken and the Clerk must record them. A member must not be held to answer, or be subject to censure of the House, for language used in debate unless exception is taken before another member speaks or other business takes place.

2.32 ORDER IN DEBATE. Except for the member who offered the motion, amendment, or proposition under consideration, a member must not speak more than twice on the subject, without leave of the House, nor more than once until every other member wishing to speak on the subject has had an opportunity to do so.

2.33 ORDER DURING SESSION. A member must not walk out of or across the Chamber while the Speaker is putting the question. A member must not engage in private conversation while another member is speaking or pass between a speaking member and the Chair. A member must not disrupt order and decorum in the Chamber by possessing or using any audiovisual display, including but not limited to placards, signs, photographs, visual aids, or the use of any video images or audio, except for such items that are distributed to members at their desks for the purpose of conducting business of the day.

2.34 PERSONS BY THE CHIEF CLERK'S DESK DURING VOTE. No person may remain by the Chief Clerk's desk during a roll call vote.

2.40 ADMITTANCE TO FLOOR. No person other than a member may be admitted to the House Chamber, except: properly authorized employees; the Chief Executive and ex-governors of the State of Minnesota; members of the Senate; heads of departments of the state government; judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and District Courts; members of Congress; those persons invited to address the body or a joint convention of the house and senate, and guests for such an address or joint convention; and properly accredited representatives of radio and television stations, newspapers and press associations, as provided for in these Rules.

Any other person may be issued a permit by the Speaker good for the day, but that person must be seated near the Speaker's rostrum, and must not engage in conversation that disturbs the business of the House. Before issuing a permit, the Speaker must make certain that the person does not seek the floor of the House to influence decisions of the House.

The alcoves in the Chambers are for the use of members only, and the Sergeant at Arms must keep them clear of others.

From one hour before the time the House is scheduled to convene until one hour after the House adjourns for the day, the retiring room is reserved for the exclusive use of the members and employees of the House. As long as the Senate prohibits entry of House members into its retiring room, no Senators may enter the House retiring room during the time it is reserved for exclusive use of members and employees. A committee or division meeting must not be held there except emergency meetings authorized by the Speaker. The Sergeant at Arms must strictly enforce this provision.

Unless an extraordinary condition exists the Speaker must not entertain a request to suspend this Rule or present the request of a member for unanimous consent to suspend this Rule.

2.41 MEDIA NEWS REPORTERS. Accredited representatives of the press, press associations, and radio and television stations must be given equal press privileges by the House. A person wishing to report proceedings of the House may apply to the Chief Sergeant at Arms for a media pass and assignment to suitable available space. The Sergeant may coordinate the issuance of media passes with the appropriate senate authority.

Television stations must be permitted to televise sessions of the House. Media representatives must be allowed access to both wells in the gallery of the House chambers.

2.42 TIME LIMIT FOR CONSIDERATION. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may establish and shall announce time parameters for floor consideration of a bill, resolution, or other matter before the House.

ARTICLE 3 - MOTIONS, AMENDMENTS, AND OTHER PROPOSITIONS

3.01 AMENDMENTS AND OTHER MOTIONS. An amendment or other motion must not be debated until after it is stated by the Speaker.

After an amendment or other motion is stated by the Speaker it is in possession of the House, but the mover may withdraw it at any time before it is amended or decided. Unless a motion, resolution, or amendment is withdrawn on the day it is made, it must be entered in the Journal, with the name of the member offering it.

Except as otherwise permitted by the Speaker, an amendment or other motion must be in writing, and five copies of it must be given to the Chief Clerk.

3.02 ORDER OF PUTTING QUESTION; FILLING BLANKS. Except for a privileged question, questions before the House or a committee or division must be put in the order they are moved. In filling a blank, a motion for the largest sum or the longest time must be put first.

3.03 DIVISION OF A QUESTION. A member may request the division of a question that contains more than one separate and distinct point. A motion to strike and insert is not divisible. The failure of a motion to strike does not preclude another motion to amend or to strike and insert.

3.10 PRECEDENCE OF MOTIONS. While a question is under consideration, only the following motions may be received:

- (1) To fix the time of adjournment
- (2) To adjourn
- (3) To lay on the table
- (4) For the previous question
- (5) To refer
- (6) To postpone to a day certain
- (7) To amend
- (8) To postpone indefinitely
- (9) To pass

The first four motions must be decided without debate.

The motions have precedence in the order listed, except that if the motion for the previous question has been properly made, and if necessary seconded, and the main question ordered, the motion to lay on the table is not in order.

3.11 MOTION TO ADJOURN. A motion to adjourn is always in order except during a roll call.

After a motion to adjourn is made, before putting the question, the Speaker may permit any member to state reasons why adjournment might be improper at that time. A statement is not debatable and must be limited to two minutes.

3.12 MOTION TO LAY ON THE TABLE. A motion to lay on the table is not in order on a motion to amend, except that a motion to amend the Rules may be tabled.

3.13 THE PREVIOUS QUESTION. The previous question may be moved by a member who is seconded by 15 members.

If the motion for the previous question is ordered by a majority of members present, its effect is to put an end to all debate and bring the House to direct vote upon the question.

Before the presiding officer submits a motion for the previous question to the House, a call of the House is in order. After a majority has ordered the previous question, a call of the House is not in order before the decision on the main question.

When the previous question is decided in the negative, the main question remains under debate until it is disposed of by a vote on the question, by a subsequent motion calling for the previous question under this Rule, or in some other manner.

All incidental questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question and before the vote on the main question must be decided without debate.

3.14 MOTION TO RECONSIDER. After a question is decided either in the affirmative or negative, a member who voted with the prevailing side may move to reconsider it. The motion must be made on the same day the vote was taken or on either of the next two days that the House meets in session and has possession of the matter. The motion may be made at any time in the Order of Business. It takes precedence over any other question except a motion to adjourn and a notice of intent to move to reconsider. The motion to reconsider, or notice of intent to make it, must not be made if the document, bill, resolution, message, report or other subject of official action on which the vote was taken has left the possession of the House.

When a member gives notice of intent to move to reconsider the final action of the House on a bill, resolution, message, report or other subject of official action, the Chief Clerk must keep it until the matter is disposed of or the time has expired for the motion. In regular session, notice of intent to move to reconsider must not be made in an odd-numbered year after the fifth Monday preceding the last Monday that the House may meet in regular session and in an even-numbered year after a date specified by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

On the last day allowed for the motion to reconsider, a member who voted on the prevailing side may make the motion, unless the matter has been already disposed of.

If a motion to reconsider fails, it must not be renewed.

3.15 MOTION TO RESCIND. A motion to rescind is not in order at any time in any proceeding in the House or in any committee or division of the House.

3.20 AMENDMENTS TO AMENDMENTS. An amendment may be amended, but an amendment to an amendment must not be amended.

3.21 MOTIONS AND PROPOSITIONS MUST BE GERMANE. A motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration must not be admitted under guise of its being an amendment. A motion, amendment, or other proposition offered to the House is out of order if it is not germane to the matter under consideration. Whether a proposition is germane to the matter under consideration is a question to be decided by the presiding officer, who may put the question to the House.

3.22 AMENDMENT TO INCREASE AN APPROPRIATION OR TAX. The concurrence of a majority of the whole House, determined by a roll call vote, is required to adopt an amendment increasing an appropriation or a tax.

3.23 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. A constitutional amendment may not be offered as an amendment to a bill on the floor.

3.30 EXPENDITURE OF HOUSE FUNDS. The concurrence of a majority of the whole House, determined by a roll call vote, is required for favorable action on a resolution or motion involving the expenditure of money appropriated by the Legislature to the House. The resolution or motion must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before being acted on by the House.

ARTICLE 4 - BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

4.01 BILL AND RESOLUTION FORM. A bill or resolution must not be introduced until it has been examined and approved by the Revisor of Statutes as to form and compliance with these Rules and the Joint Rules of the House and Senate. The Revisor's approval must be endorsed on the bill or resolution.

A bill that is divided into articles may include or be accompanied by a table of contents.

4.02 RESOLUTIONS. A statement of facts being forwarded for action to a governmental official, agency, or body or other similar proposal is a memorial and must be introduced in the same form and take the same course as a bill. A joint resolution and any resolution requiring the signature of the governor must be introduced in the same form and take the same course as a bill.

A resolution must not authorize expenditure from any source other than the money appropriated by the Legislature to the House.

Congratulatory resolutions do not require consideration or adoption by the House.

A resolution must not be changed to a bill, and a bill must not be changed to a resolution.

4.03 WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE; BUDGET RESOLUTION; EFFECT ON EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE BILLS. (a) The Committee on Ways and Means must hold hearings as necessary to determine state expenditures and revenues for the fiscal biennium.

(b) Within 25 days after the last state general fund revenue and expenditure forecast for the next fiscal biennium becomes available during the regular session in the odd-numbered year, the Committee on Ways and Means must adopt a budget resolution. The budget resolution: (1) must set the maximum limit on net expenditures for the next fiscal biennium for the general fund, (2) must set an amount or amounts to be set aside as a budget reserve and a cash flow account, (3) must set net spending limits for each budget category represented by the major finance and revenue bills identified in paragraph (e), and (4) may set limits for expenditures from funds other than the general fund. The budget resolution must not specify, limit, or prescribe revenues or expenditures by any category other than those specified in clauses (1), (2), (3), and (4). After the Committee adopts the budget resolution, the limits in the resolution are effective during the regular session in the year in which the resolution is adopted, unless a different or amended resolution is adopted.

(c) During the regular session in the even-numbered year, before the Committee on Ways and Means reports a bill containing net increases or decreases in expenditures as compared to general fund expenditures in the current fiscal biennium estimated by the most recent state budget forecast, the Committee may adopt a budget resolution. If adopted, the resolution must account for the net changes in expenditures. The resolution may also (1) set limits for changes in net expenditures for each budget category represented by the major finance and revenue bills identified in paragraph (e), and (2) set limits for expenditures from funds other than the general fund.

If the Committee adopts a budget resolution, it is effective during the regular session that year, unless a different or amended resolution is adopted.

(d) The major finance or revenue bills may be combined or separated by a majority vote of either the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Ways and Means, or the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. Combined or separated bills must conform to the limits in the resolution as those limits apply to the accounts in those bills.

(e) Major finance and revenue bills are:

the higher education and workforce development finance bill;

the K-12 education finance bill;

the early childhood finance bill;

the agriculture, rural economies, and veterans affairs finance bill;

the environment and natural resources finance bill;

the health care and human services finance bill;

the state government finance bill;

the transportation finance bill;

the public safety finance bill;

the cultural and outdoor resources finance bill;

the energy finance bill;

the housing and public health finance bill;

the capital investment bill; and

the tax bill.

(f) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Finance Committee, each finance committee division, and the Committee on Taxes must reconcile each bill described in Rule 4.10 with the resolution. When reporting a finance or revenue bill, each committee or division must provide to the Committee on Ways and Means a fiscal statement reconciling the bill with the resolution.

(g) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Ways and Means must reconcile finance and revenue bills with the resolution. When reporting a bill, the chair of the Committee must certify to the House that the Committee has reconciled the bill with the resolution.

(h) After the adoption of a resolution by the Committee on Ways and Means, an amendment to a bill is out of order if it would cause any of the limits specified in the resolution to be exceeded. Whether an amendment is out of order under this Rule is a question to be decided on the Floor by the Speaker or other presiding officer and in Committee or Division by the person chairing the Committee or Division meeting. In making the determination, the Speaker or other presiding officer or the Committee or Division chair may consider: (1) the limits in a resolution; (2) the effect of existing laws on revenues and expenditures; (3) the effect of amendments previously adopted to the bill under consideration; (4) the effect of bills previously recommended by a Committee or Division or bills previously passed in the legislative session by the House or by the legislature; (5) whether expenditure increases or revenue decreases that would result from the amendment are offset by decreases in other expenditures or increases in other revenue specified by the amendment; and (6) other information reasonably related to expenditure and revenue amounts.

(i) After a resolution is adopted by the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee must make available a summary of the estimated fiscal effect on the general fund of each bill that has been referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by the Finance Committee or a division of the Finance Committee, or the Committee on Taxes and of each bill that has been reported by the Committee on Ways and Means.

4.10 BILLS AFFECTING STATE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES. (a) Except as provided in Rule 1.15, a House or Senate bill that directly, substantially, and specifically affects any present or future financial obligation, budget policy, or revenue of the State must be referred as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) to the appropriate Finance or Tax Committee before the bill receives its second reading. A bill that negligibly affects any present or future financial obligation, budget policy, or revenue of the State is not subject to mandatory referral under this rule.

(b) A bill subject to paragraph (a) reported by a Finance Committee division must, if recommended to pass, be subsequently referred to the Finance Committee, unless the bill has a negligible fiscal impact and is subject to direct reference to the Floor under Rule 6.05. Bills subject to paragraph (a) reported by the Finance Committee must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

(c) A bill with a substantial impact on the tax revenues or tax policies of the State must be referred to the Committee on Taxes. A bill reported by the Committee on Taxes containing a substantial fiscal impact must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. For purposes of this paragraph, "tax" excludes any fee, charge, exaction, or assessment, a primary purpose of which is to recover direct or indirect costs incurred by the state or other governmental entity or as a payment for benefits received.

(d) The chairs of the Committees on Taxes, Ways and Means, and Finance shall advise the Speaker on the application of this rule and may determine whether or not any given piece of legislation must be referred to the committee they chair.

4.12 BILLS AFFECTING DEBT AND CAPITAL PROJECTS. The Finance Committee Division on Capital Investment has jurisdiction over legislation affecting debt obligations issued by the state and capital projects of the state, including the planning, acquiring and bettering of public lands and buildings and other state projects of a capital nature. Except as provided in Rule 1.15, a House or Senate bill that directly and specifically affects debt obligations or capital projects of the state must be referred to the Finance Committee Division on Capital Investment before the bill receives its second reading.

Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill deals primarily with the financing of state capital facilities using trunk highway funds, with transportation projects financed without debt obligations of the state, or with the local financing of capital facilities of local governments. Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill has a negligible effect on debt obligations and capital projects of the state as determined by the chair of the Committee on Finance, in conjunction with the chair of the Division on Capital Investment, with the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means. Referral is not required by this Rule if the bill is a major finance or revenue bill identified in Rule 4.03, unless the bill directly and specifically affects debt obligations of the state, but if a major finance or revenue bill contains a provision that directly and specifically affects capital projects of the state, the chair of the finance or tax committee reporting the bill must notify the chair of the Committee on Finance and the chair of the Division on Capital Investment of the provision before the bill is considered by the House.

The Speaker, by announcement, must assign to each finance committee the appropriate jurisdiction for recommendations on debt obligations and capital projects of the state. Divisions of the Finance Committee must submit recommendations within their jurisdiction to the Division on Capital Investment for further disposition.

A bill with a fiscal effect reported by the Division on Capital Investment must be accompanied by a statement of its fiscal effect, is exempt from the referral required by Rule 4.10, is subject to the same committee deadlines as the Finance Committee, and must be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. This referral is not required if the bill has a negligible fiscal effect, as determined by the chair of the Division on Capital Investment with the concurrence of the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means.

4.13 BILLS AFFECTING STATE GOVERNMENT POWERS AND STRUCTURE. The Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections has jurisdiction over a House or Senate bill that:

(a) establishes or reestablishes a department, agency, commission, board, task force, advisory committee or council, or bureau, or other like entity;

(b) delegates rulemaking authority to, or exempts from rulemaking, a department or agency of state government; or

(c) substantially changes the organization of a department or agency of state government or substantially changes, vests or divests the official rights, powers, or duties of an official, department or agency of state government or an institution under its control.

Except as otherwise provided in this Rule and Rule 1.15, a bill that is within the jurisdiction of the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections must be referred to that Committee before it receives its second reading. A committee or division (other than the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections) reporting such a bill must recommend its re-referral to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections if reporting before the deadline for action on the bill by that Committee; if reporting after the deadline, the committee or division must recommend re-referral to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The re-referral requirements of this Rule do not apply to the major finance and revenue bills identified in Rule 4.03. If a major finance or revenue bill contains a provision specified in clause (a) or (b) of the definition in this Rule, the chair of the finance or tax committee reporting the bill must notify the chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before the bill is considered by the House.

The re-referral requirements of this Rule do not apply to other bills reported by a finance committee or division or the tax committee or division, except bills that contain a provision specified in clauses (a) and (b) of the definition in this Rule.

4.14 **BILLS PROPOSING MEMORIALS.** A bill or amendment that proposes to have a memorial placed in the Capitol area must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

4.15 **BILLS PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.** A House or Senate bill that proposes a constitutional amendment must be referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before it receives its second reading. When reporting such a bill, a committee or division, other than the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, must recommend re-referral to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

4.20 **DISPOSITION OF BILLS DURING INTERIM.** Adjournment of the regular session in an odd-numbered year to a day certain in the next year is the same as daily adjournment except that a bill on the Consent Calendar, Calendar for the Day, Fiscal Calendar, or General Register must be returned to the standing committee or division that last acted on the bill.

4.30 **RECALLING BILL FROM COMMITTEE OR DIVISION.** A bill or resolution may be recalled from a committee or division at any time by majority vote of the whole House, be given a second reading and be placed on the General Register. A motion to recall a bill or resolution is in order only under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." This Rule does not apply in a special session or after the deadline for committee reports on House files.

4.31 **TIME LIMIT TO CONSIDER BILLS.** If 20 legislative days after a bill has been referred to a committee or division (other than the Committee on Ways and Means, the Committee on Taxes, the Finance Committee, or a division of one of those committees) a report has not been made on it by the committee or division, its chief author may request that it be returned to the House. The request must be entered in the Journal.

The committee or division must vote on the bill requested within ten calendar days after the day of the request.

If the committee or division fails to vote on it within ten days, the chief author may present a written demand to the Speaker for its immediate return to the House. The demand must be presented within five calendar days after the day that the committee or division is required to vote. If the demand is presented in the time allowed, it must be entered in the Journal and is the demand of the House. The bill is then considered to be in the possession of the House and must be given its second reading and placed on the General Register.

The bill may be re-referred by a majority vote of the whole House. If the motion to re-refer is made on the day of the demand or on the next House legislative day, the motion takes precedence over all other motions except privileged motions and is in order at any time.

ARTICLE 5 - PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE

5.01 **SUSPENSION OR AMENDMENT OF THE RULES.** The concurrence of two-thirds of the whole House is required to suspend or amend a Rule of the House, except that any amendment to the Rules reported by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may be adopted by a majority of the whole House.

Except as provided in Rule 5.02, a motion to suspend or amend any Rule of the House must be made under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions." If the motion is made at another time, unanimous consent is required before the Speaker may entertain the motion.

A motion to suspend the Rules, together with the subject matter to which it pertains, is debatable, but the previous question may be applied to the motion under Rule 3.13.

5.02 SUSPENSION OF RULES TO ADVANCE A BILL. A bill must be reported on three different days as provided in Rule 1.04, except that in case of urgency, a two-thirds majority of the whole House may suspend this requirement. A motion to suspend the Rules to advance a bill for consideration out of its regular order is in order under the order of business "Motions and Resolutions" or at any time the bill is before the House. The motion must be presented to the Speaker in writing and must describe the status of the bill.

5.03 DEFINITIONS. In these Rules the terms "majority vote" and "vote of the House" mean a majority of members present for the vote. The term "vote of the whole House" means a majority of all the members elected to the House.

Singular words used in these Rules include the plural, unless the context indicates a contrary intention.

5.04 AUTHORIZED MANUAL OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE. "Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure" governs the House in all applicable cases if it is not inconsistent with these Rules, the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, or established custom and usage.

5.05 CONFLICT OF RULES. When there is a conflict between a single House Rule and a single Joint Rule, the Speaker shall make a ruling as to which applies.

ARTICLE 6 - COMMITTEES, DIVISIONS, AND REPORTS

6.01 COMMITTEES AND DIVISIONS. Standing committees and divisions of the House must be appointed by the Speaker as follows:

Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs

Veterans Affairs Division

Civil Justice

Commerce and Labor

Labor and Consumer Protection Division

Telecommunications Regulation and Infrastructure Division

Environment Policy and Oversight

Game, Fish and Forestry Division

Ethics

Finance

Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs Finance Division

Capital Investment Finance Division

Cultural and Outdoor Resources Finance Division

Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division

Energy Finance and Policy Division

Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division

Health Care and Human Services Finance Division

Higher Education and Workforce Development Finance and Policy Division

Bioscience and Workforce Development Policy and Oversight Division

Housing Finance and Policy and Public Health Finance Division

K-12 Education Finance Division

Public Safety Finance Division

State Government Finance Division

Transportation Finance and Policy Division

Transportation and Transit Policy and Oversight Division

Health Care and Human Services Policy and Oversight

Licensing Division

K-12 Education Policy and Oversight

Public Safety Policy and Oversight

Crime Victims/Criminal Records Division

Rules and Legislative Administration

State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections

Local Government Division

Taxes

Property and Local Sales Tax Division

Ways and Means

6.02 COMMITTEE AND DIVISION MEMBERSHIP. At least 30 days before the start of a regular session of the Legislature, the Speaker-designate must provide the minority political party caucuses with a list of the standing committees and divisions proposed for the session. The Speaker-designate must prescribe the number of minority caucus members to be appointed to each committee and division and may require general membership guidelines to be followed in the selection of committee and division members.

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

A committee of the House must not have exclusive membership from one profession, occupation or vocation.

A member must not serve as the chair of the same standing committee or division, or a standing committee or division with substantially the same jurisdiction, during more than the three immediately prior consecutive regular biennial sessions. This Rule does not apply to service as chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

6.03 APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. Upon the convening of the biennial session, the Speaker must notify the members of the House of each board or commission to which a member of the House may be appointed by the Speaker. The Speaker must request advice from the minority leader on these appointments.

6.04 SUBCOMMITTEES. The chair of a committee or division must appoint the chair and members of each subcommittee with the advice and consent of the Speaker. The chair or the committee or division may refer bills to a subcommittee. A subcommittee may exercise the authority delegated to it by the chair or by the committee or division.

6.05 DIVISIONS. (a) If the Speaker or the House refers a bill to a division, the bill remains in that division until the House moves the bill from the division or approves a report from the division that moved the bill from that division. A division report under this paragraph is subject to Rule 6.30.

(b) The chair of a committee may refer a bill within the possession of the committee to a division of that committee. When the chair refers a bill to a division under this paragraph, the chair may recall the bill from the division. A committee chair referring or recalling a bill under this paragraph must give written notice of the referral or recall as soon as possible to the Chief Clerk for publication. To the extent practical, the Chief Clerk must attempt to provide notice on the House Web site of referrals and recalls of bills under this paragraph.

(c) The chair of a division must cause division records to be kept in a manner consistent with Rule 6.24.

(d) Division meetings are subject to Rule 6.20.

(e) Divisions are subject to Rule 6.21.

6.10 THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS. The Speaker must appoint a Committee on Ethics consisting of four members: two members from the majority political party caucus, and two from the minority caucus. One alternate from each caucus must also be appointed. The committee must adopt written procedures, which must include due process requirements, for handling complaints and issuing guidelines.

A complaint may be brought about conduct by a member that violates a rule or administrative policy of the House, that violates accepted norms of House behavior, that betrays the public trust, or that tends to bring the House into dishonor or disrepute.

A complaint about a member's conduct must present with specificity the factual evidence supporting the complaint. A complaint must be in writing, under oath and signed by two or more members of the House, and submitted to the Speaker. Before submitting the complaint to the Speaker, the complainants must cause a copy of it and any supporting materials to be delivered to any member named in the complaint. Within seven days after receiving a complaint, the Speaker must refer the complaint to the Ethics Committee for processing by the committee according to its rules of procedure.

The existence and substance of a complaint, including any supporting materials, and all proceedings, meetings, hearings, and records of the Ethics Committee are public; except that the committee, upon a majority vote of the whole committee, may meet in executive session to consider or determine the question of probable cause, to consider a member's medical or other health records, or to protect the privacy of a victim or a third party.

A complaint of a breach of confidentiality by a member or employee of the House must be immediately referred by the Speaker to the Ethics Committee for disciplinary action.

The committee must act in an investigatory capacity and may make recommendations regarding complaints submitted to the Speaker before adjournment sine die. With the approval of the Speaker, the committee may retain a retired judge or other nonpartisan legal advisor to advise and assist the committee, as the committee considers appropriate and necessary in the circumstances of the case, in conducting the proceedings and obtaining a complete and accurate understanding of the information relevant to the conduct in question.

Ethics Committee recommendations for disciplinary action must be supported by clear and convincing evidence and must be reported to the House for final disposition.

6.20 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE; DEADLINES. The Speaker must prepare and publish a schedule of committee meetings, fixing as far as practicable the regular meeting day and time of each committee.

The chair of a committee must give written notice of a special meeting or a change in the regular schedule of meetings. The notice may be announced from the desk and must be posted in public notice locations maintained by the House. The notice must be posted at least one day in advance of the change.

As far as practicable, the chair of a committee must give three days notice of the date, time, place and agenda for each meeting.

Meeting notices must indicate when alternative media will be used to conduct the meeting.

During the first ten weeks of the session in the odd-numbered year and the first five weeks of the session in the even-numbered year, a standing committee must not have a regularly scheduled meeting after noon on Friday, but the Speaker may approve a special meeting of a committee during this time.

A committee must not meet between 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m.

Only the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may meet during a daily session of the House without leave.

The House shall establish deadlines for each regular session by resolution.

6.21 COMMITTEE PROCEDURES. Meetings of House committees must be open to the public except for executive sessions that the committee on ethics considers necessary under Rule 6.10. For purposes of this requirement, a meeting occurs when a quorum is present and action is taken regarding a matter within the jurisdiction of the committee. This requirement does not apply to a meeting of members of a committee from the same political party caucus.

A majority of members of a committee is a quorum.

The Rules of the House must be observed in committee if they are applicable.

An amendment offered in committee must be on a subject that is within the jurisdiction of the committee. Whether an amendment is on a subject that is within the jurisdiction of the committee is a question to be decided by the person chairing the meeting, who may put the question to the committee.

A member of a committee may demand a roll call vote on any bill, resolution, report, motion or amendment before the committee. If a demand is made, the roll must be called. The name of the member demanding the roll call and the vote of each member must be recorded in the committee minutes.

A committee may reconsider an action while the matter remains in the possession of the committee. A committee member need not have voted with the prevailing side to move to reconsider the action.

The chair of a committee, after consultation with the Speaker, may establish written procedures for the submission of amendments to the committee, the setting of committee agendas, and other matters pertaining to the conduct of the committee's business. Before implementing the written procedures, the chair must provide a copy of them to the Speaker and to each member of the House and must make copies available to others upon request.

6.22 PUBLIC TESTIMONY. Public testimony from proponents and opponents must be allowed on every bill or resolution before a standing committee, division or subcommittee of the House.

6.23 OPEN MEETING ENFORCEMENT. A person may submit to the Speaker a complaint alleging a violation of the open meeting requirements of Rule 6.21. The complaint must be in writing. On receiving a complaint, the Speaker, or a person designated by the Speaker, must investigate the complaint promptly. If the Speaker concludes, following investigation, that a violation of the open meeting Rule may have occurred, the Speaker must refer the complaint to the Committee on Ethics for further proceedings.

6.24 COMMITTEE RECORDS. The chair of a standing committee must cause a committee record to be kept, in the form prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration. The record must include the record of committee proceedings on each bill referred to the committee and the minutes of the committee and any subcommittees.

The committee and subcommittee minutes must include:

- a. the time and place of each hearing or meeting;
- b. the names of committee or subcommittee members who are present;
- c. the name and address, at the Chair's discretion, of each person appearing before the committee or subcommittee, together with the name and address of the person, association, firm or corporation in whose behalf the appearance is made;
- d. the language of each motion, the name of the member making the motion, the result of a vote on the motion, and, on a roll call vote, the names of those in favor and those opposed;
- e. the date on which a subcommittee is established, the names of its members and the file number of bills referred to it and reported by it;
- f. other important matters related to the work of the committee or subcommittee.

The minutes must be approved at the next regular meeting of the committee or subcommittee.

At the end of two business days after approval by the committee or subcommittee, copies of the minutes must be filed with the Chief Clerk and be open to public inspection in the Chief Clerk's office and on the House Web site.

At the end of the legislative biennium minutes and other records must be delivered to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library.

Audio recordings of Committee and Subcommittee meetings must be made available for public use by the end of the business day following each meeting. The chair of a committee who elects not to release the recording of a committee meeting until the minutes of the meeting are approved by the committee must make a copy of the recording available by the end of the next business day after a written request for it is made to the committee. The House must keep the recordings of committee meetings available for public use during the legislative biennium in which they were created and, at the end of the legislative biennium, must transmit a copy of the recordings to the Director of the Legislative Reference Library.

The Legislative Reference Library must keep committee records and recordings available for public use under its rules for eight years after the end of the legislative biennium during which the materials were created and then may preserve or dispose of the recordings as the Library sees fit.

A person may obtain a copy of a recording during the legislative biennium in which it is created by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A person may obtain a copy of a recording while it is kept in the Library by paying a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A person may obtain a copy of a page of committee minutes or other records for a fee determined by the House Controller to cover the cost of preparing the copy. A copy of a recording must be provided free to a member or staff of the House upon request for use in legislative business.

Testimony and discussion preserved under this Rule are not intended to be admissible in a court or administrative proceeding on an issue of legislative intent.

6.30 COMMITTEE REPORTS. The House must adopt or reject a committee report on a bill or resolution without amendment.

The chair of a standing committee reporting to the House on a bill or resolution must use the form provided for committee reports. Each bill or resolution must be reported separately. The report must state the action taken by the committee and the date of the action. The report must be authenticated by the signature of the chair.

Before a committee reports favorably on a bill or resolution, the chair must see that the form of the bill or resolution conforms to these Rules and the Joint Rules of the House and Senate.

Except during the last seven legislative days in a year, the committee report and any minority report must be submitted to the Chief Clerk at least four hours before the convening of the daily session. But the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may report at any time.

6.31 SUBSTITUTION OF BILLS. A standing or special committee or division or its members must not report a substitute for a bill referred to the committee or division if the substitute relates to a different subject, is intended to accomplish a different purpose, or requires a title essentially different from that of the bill referred. If the House is advised that a substitute bill reported to the House violates this Rule, the report must not be adopted.

6.32 MINORITY REPORTS. A minority report must be made separately from the majority report and must be considered before the majority report. If the minority report is adopted the majority report must not be considered. If the minority report is not adopted the majority report must then be considered.

6.40 REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES. A conference committee may report at any time and may meet during a daily session of the House without leave. A conference committee report must be electronically available or printed.

A conference committee report must include only subject matter contained in the House or Senate versions of the bill for which that conference committee was appointed, or like subject matter contained in a bill passed by the House or Senate. The member presenting the conference committee report to the House must disclose all substantive changes from the House version of the bill.

6.50 COMMITTEE OR DIVISION REPORT LAID OVER. The report of any committee or division may be laid over one day and printed in the Journal, if so ordered by the House.

ARTICLE 7 - OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

7.01 DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF THE SPEAKER. The Speaker must preside over the House and has all the powers and duties of the presiding officer.

The Speaker must preserve order and decorum. The Speaker may order the lobby or galleries cleared in the case of disorderly conduct or other disturbance.

Except as otherwise provided by rule or law, the Speaker has general control of the Chamber of the House and of the corridors, passages and rooms in the Capitol and State Office Building under the jurisdiction of the House.

The Speaker must sign all acts, addresses, joint resolutions, writs, warrants and subpoenas of the House or issued by order of the House. The Speaker must sign all abstracts for the payment of money from funds appropriated by the Legislature to the House; but money must not be paid unless the abstract is also signed by the Controller of the House. Abstracts for compensation of members must be signed by the Chief Clerk pursuant to law.

The Speaker must appoint the Chief Sergeant at Arms or must designate that officer from among the Sergeants at Arms elected by the House or appointed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

When an elected office of the House becomes vacant, the Speaker must designate a person to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the office as necessary until a successor is elected by the House.

7.02 SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE OF SPEAKER. When the office of Speaker becomes vacant, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration has the powers and must discharge the duties of the office as necessary, until a Speaker is elected by the House or until a speaker-designate is selected as provided in this Rule. The House must elect a Speaker when the House is next called to order. If the Legislature is not in session, within 30 days after the office of Speaker becomes vacant the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must meet and select a speaker-designate to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the office as necessary until a Speaker is elected by the House.

7.05 SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE. The Speaker must appoint one or more members as Speaker pro tempore. A Speaker pro tempore must preside in the Speaker's absence. In the absence of the Speaker and a Speaker pro tempore, a member selected by the Speaker must preside until the Speaker or Speaker pro tempore returns.

7.06 SPEAKER EMERITUS. Any current member having served the House in the capacity of Speaker will, subsequent to that service, be known as Speaker Emeritus, and may perform such ceremonial functions and duties as assigned by the Speaker.

7.10 DUTIES OF CHIEF CLERK. The Chief Clerk has general supervision of all clerical duties pertaining to the business of the House. The Chief Clerk must perform, under the direction of the Speaker, all the duties of the office of Chief Clerk. The Chief Clerk must keep records showing the status and progress of all bills, memorials and resolutions.

During a temporary absence of the Chief Clerk, the First Assistant Chief Clerk has all the usual responsibilities of the Chief Clerk and may sign the daily journal, enrollments, abstracts and other legislative documents.

The Chief Clerk must supervise the engrossment and enrollment of bills. The Chief Clerk must see that a record is kept, by file number, of the bills introduced in the House that passed both houses and are enrolled.

The Chief Clerk must ensure that locations accessible to the public are available to post a list of committee and subcommittee meetings and any other announcements or notices the House may require.

The Index Clerk, supervised by the Chief Clerk, must prepare an index in which bills may be indexed by topic, number, author, subject, section of the statutes amended, committees, divisions, and any other method that will make it a complete and comprehensive index.

The index must be open for public inspection during the legislative session and must be printed in the permanent Journal.

7.20 DUTIES OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS. The Sergeant at Arms must carry out all orders of the House or the Speaker and perform all other services pertaining to the office of Sergeant at Arms, including: maintaining order in the Chamber and other areas used for the business of the House and its committees and divisions and members; supervising the entering and exiting from the Chamber and the other areas; and promptly delivering messages.

ARTICLE 8 - ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOUSE

8.01 BUDGET AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS. The House Controller must prepare a biennial budget for the House. The budget must be approved by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration before it is submitted to the State Government Finance Division. By the 15th day of April, July, October, and January of each year, the Controller must submit a detailed report of House expenditures during the previous quarter to the Speaker and the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

The House Controller must arrange for the purchase of goods and services for the House. The Controller must seek the lowest possible prices consistent with satisfactory quality and dependability. A contract of the House, or an amendment to a contract, authorizing an expenditure of more than \$500 must be signed by the Speaker or the Controller. A contract, or an amendment to a contract, authorizing an expenditure of up to \$500 may be executed by an employee authorized and directed in writing by the Controller to act for the Controller on the contract or contracts of its type. A contract or amendment to a contract entered into in violation of this Rule is not binding on the House. The House Controller must consult with an adaptive technology expert to identify commercially available upgrades for computers and Internet technology that are compatible with adaptive speech technology prior to purchasing upgrades.

Employees of the House must be reimbursed for actual expenses in the same manner as state employees.

During session, for travel away from the Capitol, members must be reimbursed for actual expenses, in addition to per diem expense allowances, in the manner and amount prescribed by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

8.10 COMMITTEE AND DIVISION BUDGETS AND EXPENSES. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must establish a budget for each standing committee and division of the House for expenses incurred by the committee or division, its members, and its staff in conducting its legislative business. Per diem expense allowances paid to members during sessions or at times set by the Speaker or the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must not be charged against the budget. A committee or division must not incur expenses in excess of its authorized budget.

All charges against the committee or division budget must be approved by the chair before payment is made.

8.20 APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must designate the position of and appoint each employee of the House and set the compensation of each officer and employee. A record of the appointments, including positions and compensation, must be kept in the office of the House Controller and must be available for inspection by the public.

The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must establish the procedure for filling employment vacancies when the Legislature is not in session.

An employee of the House may be assigned to other duties, suspended or discharged at any time by the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

ARTICLE 9 - CONDUCT

9.01 CODE OF CONDUCT. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, after receiving the recommendation of the Committee on Ethics, must establish and maintain a code of conduct for members, officers and employees of the House.

9.05 CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES. An employee of the House must not participate in campaign activity during working hours. An employee must not be obliged to participate in campaign activities as a condition of employment. A member is not an employee of the House for purposes of this Rule. House equipment must not be used for campaign activities. The Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration must define the terms of and implement this Rule.

9.10 SOLICITATIONS DURING LEGISLATIVE SESSION. During regular or special session, a member of the House, a political party caucus, the member's principal campaign committee, a political committee with the member's name or title, or a committee authorized by the member that benefits the member, must not solicit or accept a contribution from a registered lobbyist, political committee, dissolving principal campaign committee, political fund, or a tribal organization.

A member must not accept compensation for lobbying.

9.20 ACCEPTANCE OF AN HONORARIUM BY A MEMBER. A member must not accept an honorarium for a service performed for an individual or organization that has a direct interest in the business of the House, including, but not limited to, a registered lobbyist or an organization a lobbyist represents. The term "honorarium" does not include reimbursement for expenses incurred and actually paid by a member in performing a service.

Alleged violations of this Rule must be referred to the Committee on Ethics under Rule 6.10. If the Committee on Ethics finds that an honorarium was accepted in violation of this Rule, the Committee must direct its return. If it is not returned, the committee may recommend disciplinary action under Rule 6.10.

9.21 ACCEPTANCE OF TRAVEL AND LODGING BY A MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE. A member or employee of the House must not accept travel or lodging from any foreign government, private for-profit business, labor union, registered lobbyist, or an association thereof, except payment permitted by law of expenses that relate to the member's or employee's participation as a legislator or legislative employee in a meeting or conference. This Rule does not apply to travel or lodging provided to a member in the regular course of the member's employment or business.

9.30 DENIAL OF COMPENSATION WHILE DETAINED. A member must not receive compensation, mileage, or living expenses while the member is incarcerated or on home detention due to a criminal conviction.

9.35 BAN ON LOBBYING. Former state legislators must not register as lobbyists within one year from the date they leave office.

9.40 NO SMOKING IN HOUSE AREAS. Smoking is prohibited in the areas of the Capitol and State Office Building under the jurisdiction of the House, including the House Chamber and Retiring Room and galleries, hearing rooms, minor corridors and offices, private offices, and lounges.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Doty moved that the name of Pelowski be added as an author on H. F. No. 10. The motion prevailed.

Murphy, M., moved that the name of Sterner be added as an author on H. F. No. 92. The motion prevailed.

Dittrich moved that the name of Ruud be added as an author on H. F. No. 105. The motion prevailed.

Bigham moved that the names of Ward, Persell and Olin be added as authors on H. F. No. 129. The motion prevailed.

Bigham moved that the name of Olin be added as an author on H. F. No. 130. The motion prevailed.

Cornish moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 132. The motion prevailed.

Bly moved that the name of Wagenius be added as an author on H. F. No. 135. The motion prevailed.

Nelson moved that the name of Newton be added as an author on H. F. No. 196. The motion prevailed.

Brod moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 199. The motion prevailed.

Brod moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 202. The motion prevailed.

Faust moved that the name of Sterner be added as an author on H. F. No. 217. The motion prevailed.

Simon moved that the name of Kahn be added as an author on H. F. No. 224. The motion prevailed.

Tillberry moved that the name of Bigham be added as an author on H. F. No. 253. The motion prevailed.

Lillie moved that the name of Hansen be added as an author on H. F. No. 259. The motion prevailed.

Fritz moved that the names of Thissen, Simon, Ruud, Scalze, Abeler and Slocum be added as authors on H. F. No. 337. The motion prevailed.

Gardner moved that the name of Sterner be added as an author on H. F. No. 403. The motion prevailed.

Bunn moved that the names of Brynaert and Slocum be added as authors on H. F. No. 413. The motion prevailed.

Gardner moved that the name of Lenczewski be added as an author on H. F. No. 418. The motion prevailed.

Obermueller moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 422. The motion prevailed.

Hansen moved that the names of Kahn and Wagenius be added as authors on H. F. No. 424. The motion prevailed.

Ruud moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 438. The motion prevailed.

Mullery moved that the name of Brynaert be added as an author on H. F. No. 448. The motion prevailed.

Murdock moved that the name of Lenczewski be added as an author on H. F. No. 452. The motion prevailed.

Dean moved that the name of Otremba be added as an author on H. F. No. 455. The motion prevailed.

Liebling moved that the name of Brynaert be added as an author on H. F. No. 460. The motion prevailed.

Urdahl moved that the names of Brynaert and Slocum be added as authors on H. F. No. 462. The motion prevailed.

Carlson moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 466. The motion prevailed.

Kahn moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 478. The motion prevailed.

Scalze moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 496. The motion prevailed.

Kahn moved that the name of Hilstrom be added as an author on H. F. No. 504. The motion prevailed.

Poppe moved that the name of Dill be added as an author on H. F. No. 505. The motion prevailed.

Abeler moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 506. The motion prevailed.

Paymar moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 507. The motion prevailed.

Bly moved that the names of Brynaert and Slocum be added as authors on H. F. No. 508. The motion prevailed.

Simon moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 512. The motion prevailed.

Peppin moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 516. The motion prevailed.

Hayden moved that the name of Champion be added as an author on H. F. No. 522. The motion prevailed.

Sailer moved that the name of Brynaert be added as an author on H. F. No. 529. The motion prevailed.

Winkler moved that the name of Scalze be added as an author on H. F. No. 538. The motion prevailed.

Juhnke moved that the name of Doty be added as an author on H. F. No. 541. The motion prevailed.

Smith moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 542. The motion prevailed.

Scott moved that the name of Fritz be added as an author on H. F. No. 543. The motion prevailed.

Champion moved that the names of Persell and Mullery be added as authors on H. F. No. 545. The motion prevailed.

Lieder moved that the name of Reinert be added as an author on H. F. No. 548. The motion prevailed.

Ruud moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 550. The motion prevailed.

Morrow moved that the name of Paymar be added as an author on H. F. No. 556. The motion prevailed.

Severson moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 557. The motion prevailed.

Severson moved that the names of Eastlund; Kiffmeyer; Anderson, P., and Shimanski be added as authors on H. F. No. 558. The motion prevailed.

Urdahl moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 563. The motion prevailed.

Champion moved that the name of Persell be added as an author on H. F. No. 570. The motion prevailed.

Juhnke moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 573. The motion prevailed.

Carlson moved that the name of Slocum be added as an author on H. F. No. 576. The motion prevailed.

Severson moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 583. The motion prevailed.

Paymar moved that the name of Kahn be added as an author on H. F. No. 584. The motion prevailed.

Drazkowski moved that the name of Westrom be added as an author on H. F. No. 585. The motion prevailed.

Murphy, E., moved that the names of Ward and Hayden be added as authors on H. F. No. 587. The motion prevailed.

Drazkowski moved that the name of Westrom be added as an author on H. F. No. 593. The motion prevailed.

Liebling moved that the names of Mullery, Doty and Kahn be added as authors on H. F. No. 594. The motion prevailed.

Paymar moved that the name of Kahn be added as an author on H. F. No. 595. The motion prevailed.

Paymar moved that the names of Lenczewski and Kahn be added as authors on H. F. No. 596. The motion prevailed.

Hortman moved that the names of Lenczewski, Paymar and Kahn be added as authors on H. F. No. 606. The motion prevailed.

Peterson moved that the name of Murphy, E., be added as an author on H. F. No. 610. The motion prevailed.

Slocum moved that the name of Otremba be added as an author on H. F. No. 623. The motion prevailed.

Gardner moved that the name of Morgan be added as an author on H. F. No. 625. The motion prevailed.

Bly moved that the name of Kahn be added as an author on H. F. No. 626. The motion prevailed.

Rukavina moved that the name of Doty be added as an author on H. F. No. 628. The motion prevailed.

Hosch moved that the name of Otremba be added as an author on H. F. No. 635. The motion prevailed.

Seifert moved that the name of Shimanski be added as an author on H. F. No. 646. The motion prevailed.

Kahn moved that the name of Paymar be added as an author on H. F. No. 654. The motion prevailed.

Gardner moved that the name of Morgan be added as an author on H. F. No. 663. The motion prevailed.

Kalin moved that the name of Champion be added as an author on H. F. No. 680. The motion prevailed.

Juhnke moved that H. F. No. 630 be recalled from the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Oversight and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections. The motion prevailed.

ADJOURNMENT

Sertich moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Monday, February 16, 2009. The motion prevailed.

Sertich moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, February 16, 2009.

ALBIN A. MATHIOWETZ, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

