MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
St. Paul, April 21, 1925.

Hon. John A. Johnson, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am returning, without my approval,

H. F. No. 1007, A bill for an act authorizing the auditor of any county now or hereafter having a population of 150,000 and not more than 240,000 to designate an employe in his office as Mothers' Pension Clerk, and prescribing the duties and providing for additional compensation for such clerk.

The amount involved in this salary increase is of little consequence so far as taxation is concerned, but the principle established is a dangerous one. The bill violates the principle of home rule, because the board of county commissioners of St. Louis County has and should continue to have authority to fix the compensation of all appointed officials. Furthermore, there are no duties peculiar to the mothers' pension clerk that justify singling out that position for fixing its salary in any different manner than that of other clerical positions in the same office.

Respectfully yours,

THEODORE CHRISTIANSON,
Governor.

SUSPENSION OF RULES.

Mr. Quinlivan moved that the rules be so far suspended as to give S. F. No. 113, A bill for an act transferring to the soldiers welfare fund created by Chapter 436, General Laws 1923, the cash balance remaining unexpended in the soldiers and sailors tuition fund, providing for the investment and reinvestment of the same, and appropriating portions of the principal thereof and all of the interest received thereon to the State Board of Control for the benefit, uses and purposes of said State Soldiers Welfare Fund as now or hereafter provided by law.

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Which motion prevailed.

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Was read the third time and placed upon its final passage.

The question being taken on the passage of the bill,

And the roll being called, there were yeas 117 and nays none, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: