Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson   Beckman   Belanger   Benson, D.D.   Benson, J.E.   Berg   Bertrum   Betzold   Cohen   Day   Dille   Fin

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

Pursuant to Rule 10, Mr. Moe, R.D., Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated S.F. No. 2630 a Special Order to be heard immediately.

SPECIAL ORDER

S.F. No. 2630: A bill for an act relating to state government; restructuring functions and groups related to ombudsmen for families; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, sections 257.0761, subdivision 1; 257.0762, subdivision 2; and 257.0768; Minnesota Statutes 1993 Supplement, section 257.0755.

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

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson   Beckman   Belanger   Benson, D.D.   Benson, J.E.   Berg   Bertrum   Betzold   Cohen   Day   Dille   Fin

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Without objection, remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, the Senate reverted to the Orders of Business of Executive and Official Communications, Messages From the House, Reports of Committees, Second Reading of Senate Bills and Second Reading of House Bills.

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received.

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

March 28, 1994

Dear President Spear:

I have vetoed and I am returning Chapter 381, Senate File 1694/House File 2088.

The bill as originally presented and heard received substantial support as a measure to clarify and improve procedures for the administration of neuroleptic medications to mentally ill persons. However, an author’s amendment passed on the floor of the House on a voice vote, significantly changes the impact of the bill and makes it unacceptable policy.

The intent of the bill was to grant to guardians and conservators the authority to consent to the administration of these medications. The last-minute amendment imposes the requirement of a court hearing for this consent to be valid. This change was not subjected to any hearings, testimony, or fiscal analysis.

It seems clear that its effect at least would create enormous legal costs for the state and for counties, as well as for private wards and conservates. There are at least 11,000 persons on Medical Assistance residing in nursing homes or