Dear President Spear:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, S.F. Nos. 2009, 1788, 2354, 2858, 1736, 2297, 1735 and 2316.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

May 9, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear President Spear:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 608, Senate File 2011, a bill relating to simulated elections for minors.

Chapter 608 allows the Secretary of State to authorize a program for minors to vote in simulated elections at the same time and place as a primary or general election. While the objective of teaching students about the electoral process is laudable, this bill is unacceptable.

Chapter 608 is fraught with opportunities for political mischief. It would give a single political office, the Secretary of State, the sole authority to develop this program without defined goals, guidelines, or any guaranty of political neutrality. Left unchecked, it could easily become a partisan tool rather than an educational aid.

Without clearly-defined guidelines, Chapter 608 could also cause considerable chaos at polling places which, in many cases, are already confused and overcrowded. Encouraging children of all ages to cast simulated votes in this environment would be counterproductive; the certain chaos at the polls could actually discourage voter participation and could jeopardize the integrity of the primary and general elections.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

May 9, 1994
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The Honorable Irv Anderson  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear  
President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1994 Session of the State Legislature have been received from the Office of the Governor and are deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

S.F. No. | H.F. No. | Session Laws Chapter No. | Date Approved 1994 | Date Filed 1994
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3079 | 578 | 11:30 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2623 | 579 | 11:30 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2234 | 580 | 11:32 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2567 | 581 | 11:34 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2894 | 582 | 11:34 a.m. May 6 | May 6
1915 | 583 | 11:35 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2009 | 584 | 11:47 a.m. May 6 | May 6
1788 | 585 | 11:50 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2064 | 586 | 11:37 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2411 | 588 | 11:40 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2354 | 589 | 11:55 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2512 | 590 | 4:48 p.m. May 6 | May 6
2420 | 591 | 4:56 p.m. May 6 | May 6
1829 | 592 | 11:59 a.m. May 6 | May 6
2858 | 596 | 11:55 a.m. May 6 | May 6
1735 | 598 | 4:58 p.m. May 6 | May 6
2316 | 600 | 12:00 p.m. May 6 | May 6
1736 | 604 | 4:47 p.m. May 6 | May 6
2297 | 607 | 11:58 a.m. May 6 | May 6

Sincerely,
Joan Anderson Growe  
Secretary of State

May 10, 1994

The Honorable Irv Anderson  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Allan H. Spear  
President of the Senate