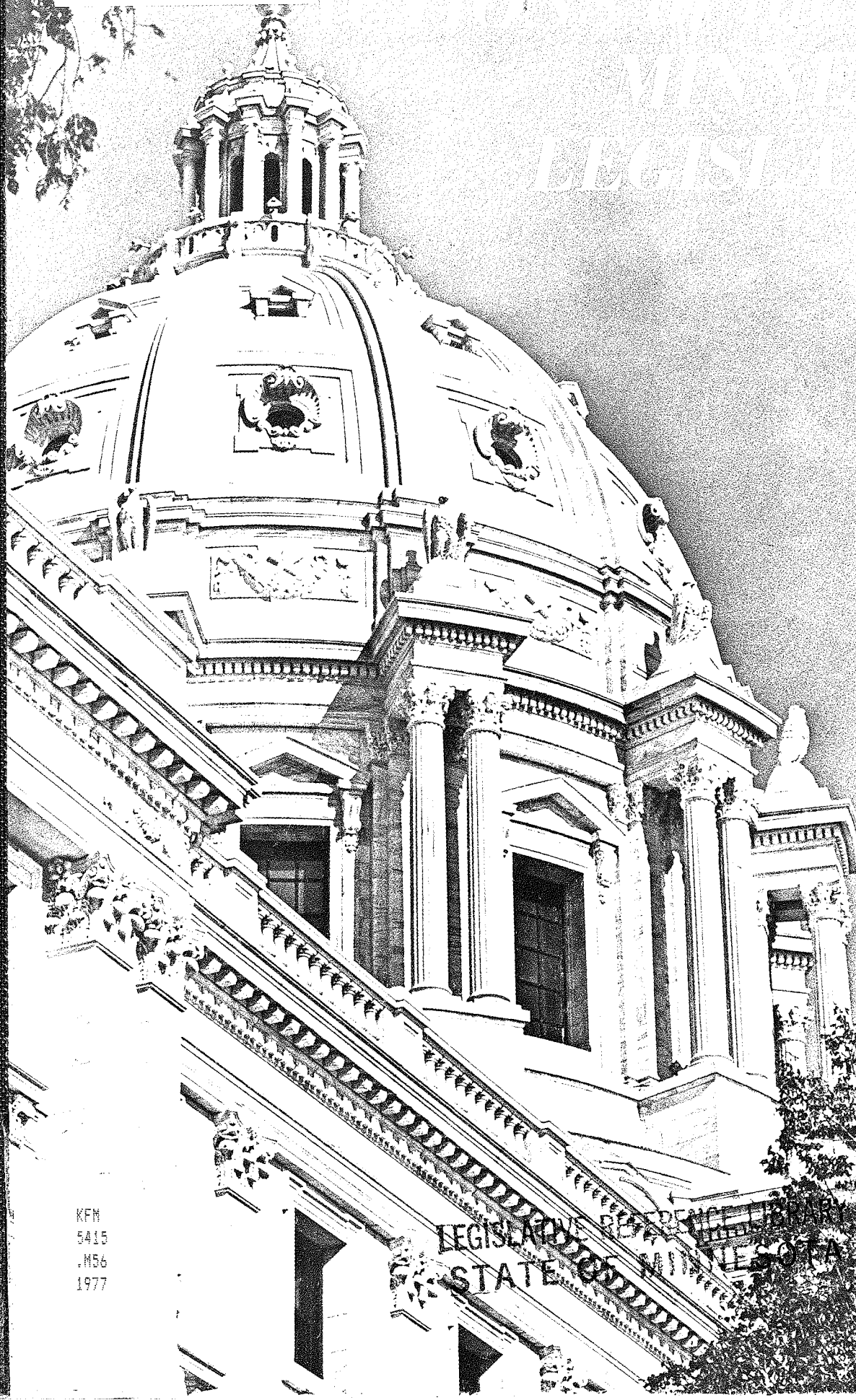


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## INTRODUCTION

"Actions of the 1977 Minnesota Legislature" is designed to provide members of the Minnesota Legislature and other interested persons with a reference book of the laws and appropriations enacted in the 1977 Minnesota Legislative Session. All laws enacted during the 1977 Session which are of general interest have been included in this publication. Except for those laws dealing with cities of the first class and counties containing cities of the first class, laws of local interest have not been included.

This reference book is divided into twenty-one general subject areas. Some of these areas are then broken down into more specific categories. All summaries dealing with the general subject area are listed first, followed by summaries dealing with a specific category under that subject area. For example, an Act generally affecting local government will be found under "Local Government"; an Act dealing specifically with counties will be found under "Local Government, Counties". Each Act is listed numerically by chapter number of 1977 Laws of Minnesota under the subject area of its primary concern. The summary begins with a brief description of the Act, followed by the chapter number and the Senate or House file number. The Act is then briefly summarized. Unless noted otherwise, the Act's effective date is August 1. Many of the items have been cross-referenced by listing them under more than one subject area (e. g., an Act dealing with health insurance may be listed under both "Health and Welfare, Insurance" and "Insurance").

Three cross-reference indexes have been included in the back of this publication. The first is a numerical list of chapter numbers with the corresponding House file or Senate file number and the subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found. The second is a numerical listing by House file number, followed by the corresponding chapter number and subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found. The third is a numerical listing by Senate file number, followed by the corresponding chapter number and subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found.

For information regarding state expenditures and taxes, see a separate report--A Fiscal Review of the 1977 Legislative Session--now being compiled under the direction of the Senate Finance and House Appropriations Committees.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the House Research Department at 296-6753, or the Senate Counsel Office at 296-2511.

### Statistical Summary

The Seventieth Session of the Minnesota Legislature convened on January 4, 1977, and adjourned on May 23, 1977, to day certain January 17, 1978. During the Session 1701 bills were introduced in the House of Representatives and 1567 bills were introduced in the Senate. A total of 454 bills were enacted into law.

## THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### House of Representatives Leadership:

Martin O. Sabo - Speaker of the House  
Irvin N. Anderson - Majority Leader  
Linda Berglin - Assistant Majority Leader  
Mike Jaros - Assistant Majority Leader  
Pete Petrafeso - Assistant Majority Leader  
Russell Stanton - Assistant Majority Leader  
Henry J. Savelkoul - Minority Leader  
Arne Carlson - Assistant Minority Leader  
Gerald Knickerbocker - Assistant Minority Leader  
Darrel Peterson - Assistant Minority Leader  
Rodney Searle - Assistant Minority Leader  
Ken Zubay - Assistant Minority Leader

### Standing Committees in the House:

Agriculture  
Appropriations  
Commerce and Economic Development  
Criminal Justice  
Education  
Environment and Natural Resources  
Financial Institutions and Insurance  
General Legislation and Veterans Affairs  
Governmental Operations  
Health and Welfare  
Higher Education  
Labor-Management Relations  
Local and Urban Affairs  
Rules and Legislative Administration  
Taxes  
Transportation

## THE SENATE

### Senate Leadership:

Edward J. Gearty - President of the Senate  
Nicholas D. Coleman - Majority Leader  
Winston W. Borden - Assistant Majority Leader  
Douglas J. Johnson - Majority Whip  
Steve Keefe - Majority Whip  
Robert O. Ashbach - Minority Leader  
Mel Frederick - Minority Whip  
John Bernhagen - Deputy Minority Whip  
Robert G. Dunn - Assistant Minority Leader  
Carl A. Jensen - Assistant Minority Leader  
Howard A. Knutson - Assistant Minority Leader

### Standing Committees in the Senate:

Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Commerce  
Education  
Elections  
Employment  
Energy and Housing  
Finance  
General Legislation and Veterans Affairs  
Governmental Operations  
Health, Welfare and Corrections  
Judiciary  
Local Government  
Rules and Administration  
Taxes and Tax Laws  
Transportation

AGRICULTURE

POTATO INDUSTRY PROMOTION, Chapter 18, H.F. 383: Amends M.S. 30.469. Increases the assessment for potato industry promotion levied on potatoes grown, sold, or delivered in Minnesota from 1-1/4¢ to 2¢ per hundredweight.

POTATO GRADING, Chapter 20, S.F. 74: Repeals M.S. 30.101. Eliminates the exemption of Minnesota-grown potatoes sold at retail between July 1 and October 1 from grading requirements. Effective 1-1-78.

SOYBEAN RESEARCH AND PROMOTION, Chapter 28, H.F. 235: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 21A and repeals M.S. 21A.18. Clarifies the respective authority of the commissioner of agriculture and the Minnesota soybean and promotion council. Increases the assessment on soybean growers and specifies the uses thereof.

SHADE TREE DISEASE, Chapter 90, S.F. 32: See Environment and Natural Resources.

SECOND MORTGAGES IN FEDERAL DISASTER AREAS, Chapter 103, H.F. 531: See Financial Institutions.

USE OF THE NAME "MINNESOTA FARMSTEAD CHEESE", Chapter 114, H.F. 439: Amends M.S. 28A.08. Prohibits the sale, offer for sale or possession with intent to sell of any cheese labeled as "Minnesota farmstead cheese" without a written permit from the commissioner of agriculture. Establishes a \$25 license fee and \$10 late renewal penalty for a wholesale food manufacturer having a permit to use the name "Minnesota farmstead cheese".

MILK PROCESSING AND CERTIFICATION FEES, Chapter 120, H.F. 1005: Amends M.S. 32.394. Increases the annual grade A milk processor's fee. Increases the grade A milk certification application fee for milk testing laboratories. Effective 7-1-77.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, Chapter 121, H.F. 1006: Amends M.S. 17.07, 38.02, 38.04 and 38.13. Requires certain agricultural associations or societies to reimburse the commissioner of agriculture for expenses incurred in examining their records. Transfers certain functions related to county agricultural societies from the state auditor and the commissioner of finance to the commissioner of agriculture.

FOOD LICENSING, Chapter 160, S.F. 1140: Amends M.S. 28A.03, 28A.04, 28A.13. Defines a "custom processor" as a person who slaughters animals or processes meat, except poultry or game animals, for the owners of the animals. Requires custom processors to obtain a permit from the commissioner of agriculture. Authorizes the commissioner to suspend or revoke a custom processor permit. Effective 5-19-77.

FAMILY FARM SECURITY PROGRAM, Chapter 170, H.F. 777: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 41. Eliminates the first mortgage requirements for seller-sponsored loans. Eliminates the consumers' representative on the family farm advisory council. Authorizes retention of land by sellers in lieu of payment of loan guarantees. Authorizes the sharing of excess proceeds from a default sale between the lender and the state. Allows payment adjustments with unequal annual payments of principal and interest for loans with a term of 10 years or less. Effective 5-20-77.

POTATOES, Chapter 234, H.F. 1172: Amends M.S. 27.07, 30.10, 30.20 and repeals 30.121, 30.13, 30.14 and 30.478. Clarifies the authority of the commissioner of agriculture to establish certain potato inspection fees. Prohibits the sale of artificially colored potatoes.

AGRICULTURAL LEASES OF STATE LANDS WITHIN STATE PARKS, Chapter 249, S.F. 288: See Environment and Natural Resources.

FEEDLOT POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT CREDIT, Chapter 250, S.F. 506:  
See Taxation.

RESTRICTIONS ON ALIEN ACQUISITION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND, Chapter 269, H.F. 79: Repeals M.S. 500.22. Prohibits any person from acquiring any interest in agricultural land unless he is a U. S. citizen or permanent resident alien. Prohibits any business entity from acquiring any interest in agricultural land unless 80% of the beneficial interest of the business entity is held by U. S. citizens or permanent resident aliens. Provides certain limited exemptions. Authorizes the attorney general to commence actions to enforce this act by injunction or divestiture. Authorizes a person or business prohibited from future acquisition of agricultural land to retain agricultural land acquired prior to 5-27-77, but requires it to submit an annual report to the commissioner of agriculture concerning such land within 90 days after 5-27-77, and annually before April 15. Specifies that willful failure to file the annual report is a gross misdemeanor. Effective 5-27-77.

SEEDS, Chapter 289, H.F. 1079: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 21. Changes the basis for listing restricted weed seeds on labels. Increases certain fees paid by vendors of agricultural seed. Increases the annual registration fees for hybrid seed corn. Effective 7-1-77.

GRAIN INSPECTION AND WEIGHING FEES, Chapter 296, H.F. 1275: Amends M.S. 17B.15. Revises the procedure and basis for establishing and adjusting grain inspection and weighing fees. Effective 7-1-77.

LIVESTOCK MARKET AGENCIES AND DEALERS, Chapter 299, H.F. 1386: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 17A. Changes the duration of a livestock marketing agency license from six months to one year. Specifies the standards and procedure for the commissioner of agriculture to suspend livestock marketing agency, livestock dealer or public stockyard licenses. Clarifies the persons protected by a livestock dealer's bond. Clarifies livestock weighing locations and fees. Effective 7-1-77.

BUSINESS AND AGRICULTURAL LOANS, Chapter 303, S.F. 49: See Financial Institutions.

RESORT PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION, Chapter 319, S.F. 626: See Taxation.

PLASTIC WELL CASINGS, Chapter 398, H.F. 823: See Health and Welfare.

WEATHER MODIFICATION, Chapter 426, S.F. 73: Prescribes certain powers and duties for the commissioner of agriculture concerning weather modification. Specifies standards, procedure and fees for licenses and permits. Authorizes counties to conduct and spend money for weather modification programs with the approval of the commissioner. Prescribes penalties. Appropriates \$75,000 for administration of this act. Effective 1-1-78, except county authorization effective 6-3-77.

CLAIMS, Chapter 450, H.F. 1630: See Appropriations.

## APPROPRIATIONS

The acts described below originated with the Senate Finance Committee and House Appropriations Committee and include primarily appropriations to pay the cost of state programs begun before the 1977 legislative session. Appropriations for new programs are included in the acts creating the programs, which are grouped according to their subject matter and described in the other sections of this book.

EMERGENCY FOREST FIRE FIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 36, S.F. 1072:

Appropriates \$10,403,778 to the commissioner of natural resources for emergency forest fire fighting expenses in fiscal year 1977. Effective 4-28-77.

INTERIM CLAIMS, Chapter 223, H.F. 384: Appropriates \$29,397.08 to various persons in payment of claims against the state. Provides that claims by prison inmates for injuries sustained while working in the prison industries will be heard by the appropriate committees of the legislature. This provision is repealed by the session claims bill, Ch. 450, which provides a similar procedure covering both prison inmates and patients at state institutions. Effective 5-21-77.

ABOLITION OF OPEN APPROPRIATIONS, Chapter 403, H.F. 962: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Abolishes open appropriations from the general fund for various purposes. Provides direct appropriations of \$149,804,461 for debt service and \$16,580,765 for various other purposes in place of open appropriations for the biennium. Effective 7-1-77.

HIGHER EDUCATION OMNIBUS BILL, Chapter 449, H.F. 1510: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Appropriates \$693,943,887 to the department of education, higher education coordinating board and state institutions of higher education. Requires the department of education to make a study of program space needs at the Minnesota braille and sightsaving school and report to the legislature by 1-1-78. Requires the board of teaching to evaluate its staffing needs and report to the legislature by 1-1-78. Establishes a Minnesota occupational information system revolving fund in the general fund. Allows the state university board to buy liability insurance for non-employees involved in ancillary activities. Allows the community college board to buy insurance coverage for various purposes. Requires the university of Minnesota to report to the legislature by 1-15-78 on the possibility of implementing a self-insurance program. Requires the university to submit a progress report on the drug abuse program by 1-15-79. Requires the university to submit to the 1979 legislature a progress report on Lake Superior basin studies. Abolishes certain dedicated accounts at the Minnesota school for the deaf and the Minnesota braille and sightsaving school. Requires the Minnesota educational computing consortium to conform to state personnel and budgeting requirements. Creates a post-secondary education consortium for southwestern and west central Minnesota. Effective 7-1-77.



CLAIMS, Chapter 450, H.F. 1630: Appropriates \$25,642.98 to various persons in payment of claims against the state. Authorizes the commissioner of agriculture to compensate livestock owners for the fair market value of livestock that is destroyed or crippled so that it must be destroyed by an animal classified as endangered under the federal endangered species act, up to \$400 per animal. Determination of the cause of damage and the value of the animal is by the commissioner upon recommendation of the county extension agent and a conservation officer. Appropriates \$100,000 to the commissioner of agriculture to make these payments until 6-30-79. Provides that claims for injuries to inmates of state correctional institutions and patients of state institutions under the control of the commissioner of public welfare will be heard by the appropriate committees of the legislature. Repeals a similar provision in the interim claims bill, Ch. 223, that did not cover patients at state institutions. Effective 6-9-77 except that the provisions relating to livestock damage are effective 7-1-77.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, Chapter 451, H.F. 1631: Authorizes sale of Minnesota state building bonds in the amount of \$34,866,000 and appropriates this money to the commissioner of administration for the construction of various state buildings including a new prison at Stillwater, a new pharmacy and nursing building at the university of Minnesota Twin Cities campus and to make state facilities barrier free for the handicapped. Appropriates money from the general fund for an office space study at Duluth, for capitol remodeling and for improvements to capitol area grounds. Total appropriation is \$35,196,532. Effective 7-1-77.

HEALTH, WELFARE, CORRECTIONS OMNIBUS APPROPRIATION, Chapter 453, S.F. 1416: Appropriates \$1,013,860,621.76 for health, welfare, and corrections purposes. Requires commissioner of public welfare to submit to the 1978 legislature a proposal for containment of medical costs, including proposed rules requiring specific recipients to be charged a nominal amount toward cost of medical services provided under medical assistance and general assistance medical care. Authorizes Hennepin county to operate the Hennepin county workhouse. Requires governor to appoint a panel to study health effects of fluoridation of municipal water supplies. Exempts municipalities not in compliance with fluoridation rules from compliance until 7-1-79. Requires department of health to report to legislature by 1-15-78 on recommendations for appropriate training for nursing assistants. Requires Hastings state hospital to be closed on 5-1-78. Authorizes veterans affairs department to establish a veterans home on the site upon approval by the 1978 legislature. Requires commissioner of public welfare to assist the finance and appropriations committees in developing a detailed plan for the future of Oak Terrace nursing home and report to the legislature by 1-16-78. Appropriates money to the Father Miller memorial chapel fund. Appropriates \$100,000 to the department of health for purchase of the drug somatotropin to be dispensed free by physicians to patients with physiological growth problems; results are to be reported to the department by the physicians. Appropriates \$300,000 to the department of public welfare for financial

assistance to persons suffering from hemophilia. Appropriates \$300,000 to the commissioner of public welfare for payment of interest indebtedness on nursing homes. Appropriates \$1,500,000 to the health department for health research grants. Effective 7-1-77.

TRANSPORTATION OMNIBUS APPROPRIATION, Chapter 454, H.F. 1610: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Appropriates \$884,101,472 to the department of transportation for transportation purposes. Establishes an approved complement for the department of transportation. Provides direct appropriations for highway development, county state aid distribution, municipal state aid distribution, highway safety devices and debt service previously supported by open appropriations. Creates an air transportation revolving account to pay the costs of air transportation services provided by the department to other state agencies. Provides \$400,000 for the purchase of an aircraft to be used for this service. Provides \$38,400,000 for public transit assistance and transportation management, both within the Twin Cities metropolitan area and in the rest of the state. Provides \$650,000 per year for continuation of Amtrak rail passenger service between Duluth and the Twin Cities, with the money for the second year being available only with the approval of the governor after consultation with the legislative advisory commission. Repeals prior law creating a standing appropriation for noise barriers in the metropolitan area, and directs a sound abatement program using various measures. Prohibits certain computer system development by the DOT without approval by the commissioners of administration and finance. Requires the commissioner of administration to charge a 25% surcharge for parking in state parking facilities in the capitol area and to place the proceeds of the surcharge in an account to be used to purchase commuter vans and to pay the costs of agreements between state agencies and the metropolitan transit commission for transportation of state employees. Defines sound abatement measures to be applied on interstate and trunk highways to include traffic management measures, design and construction measures, vehicle source noise enforcement and other measures. Requires the commissioner of public safety to cooperate with the commissioner of transportation in source noise enforcement. Requires the commissioners of public safety and transportation to engage in a study of noise monitoring devices which can be used in enforcing source noise limits. Requires a report on noise monitoring device research. Permits the completion of certain acoustical barriers by the department. Eliminates the requirement that certain bridges built under the bridge bonding program be designed in-house by the department of transportation. Exempts articulated buses from state vehicle length limitations. Establishes and defines the role of the department of transportation in developing and assisting transit and paratransit programs throughout the state. Establishes a public transit subsidy program to assist regular route bus service, a paratransit service demonstration grant program for the development and assistance of non-regular route passenger transportation programs and a regular route transit demonstration grant program to assist in the establishment of new regular route transit services. Requires the department of transportation to provide technical assistance to political subdivisions and recipients of transit and paratransit grants. Requires

the department to engage in research and evaluation activity with regard to transit and paratransit. Authorizes the department to adopt emergency rules for expediting implementation of transit and paratransit programs. Defines the purposes and performance goals of the metropolitan transit commission. Authorizes the MTC to develop and operate paratransit systems. Establishes bus fare policies for the MTC. Requires the MTC to charge reduced fares for the young, the elderly and the handicapped. Requires the MTC to set performance objectives by which it will satisfy policies, purposes and goals established by the legislature and the metropolitan council, including establishment of a route deficit limit for its bus system. Eliminates obsolete provisions concerning regulation of metropolitan area private transit operators. Eliminates certain bonding authority of the MTC and provides new authority for a specific principal amount of bonds for specific purposes. Authorizes the MTC to spend up to \$150,000 for a preliminary engineering study of the St. Paul downtown people mover project provided that the study is conducted within guidelines established by the act. Provides for independent evaluation of the preliminary engineering study by the metropolitan council. Establishes a performance funding system for the MTC so that future state subsidies will be paid on the basis of the number of riders carried on MTC buses. Provides that the term of all MTC members not appointed by the metropolitan council expire 7-1-77, and requires that new members be appointed by the council.

STATE DEPARTMENTS APPROPRIATION BILL, Chapter 455, S.F. 1467: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Appropriates \$487,245,427 for general administrative and judicial expenses of state government. Requires the board on judicial standards to annually review the compliance of each judge with the statutory requirement that cases be decided within a certain time limit. Requires that when a judge is not in compliance, his salary not be paid. Authorizes the legislative commission to review administrative rules to supervise the activities of legal assistance to Minnesota prisoners and to suspend the activities if appropriate. Requires that 57% of all Part B federal money received by the governor's commission on crime prevention and control for planning purposes be used for grants to regional and local units of government. Creates a governor's task force on waste and mismanagement. Authorizes the lieutenant governor to establish a federal relations office in Washington, D.C. to provide services to the executive and legislative branches of Minnesota state government. Provides reimbursement for basic training by peace officers through the Minnesota peace officers training board. Reimbursement for inservice training is provided through the bureau of criminal apprehension. Requires the state planning agency to conduct a study of state and regional economic development and to recommend state and regional economic growth plans by 11-15-78. Requires state planning agency to study and report to the 1978 legislature on the feasibility of establishing a state office to prepare all environmental impact statements. Requires at least 50% of the efforts of state and regional environmental education councils to be directed to cooperation with other groups for the dissemination of environmental information. Provides \$100,000 for

the local government fiscal study and \$134,000 for completion of the Minneapolis-St. Paul study. Provides \$500,000 for the commissioner of finance to study public employment in the state. Requires each state agency to develop a plan for the use of 50% of its training money for special career training programs for class C civil service employees. Requires that the fee structure for the Minnesota zoological garden not exceed \$2.50 for adults age 17 and over, \$1.25 for children ages 6 to 16 and free for children 5 and under. Authorizes the commissioner of economic development to charge fees for services rendered by the department in furnishing reports, publications or related publicity or promotional material paid for from direct appropriations and allows the department to include advertising in its publications. Provides money to the commissioner of public safety for investigation of cross-jurisdictional criminal activity and for purchases of contraband and information relating to receiving or selling stolen goods. Requires all projects for computer system development to be reviewed and approved by the commissioners of administration and finance and submitted to the chairmen of the house appropriations committee and senate finance committee for their recommendations. Authorizes the commissioner of administration to sell or lease the historic homes at Fort Snelling known as officers row. Requires each state agency to notify the state planning agency of proposed studies, research or planning programs. Increases from 25 to 50 the number of free copies of the legislative manual available to each member of the legislature on request and provides for free distribution of excess copies of the manual. Requires the commissioner of finance to submit his proposed forms for the biennial budget to the senate finance committee and house appropriations committee for their recommendations before the forms are sent to the various state agencies. Revises the definition of "approved complement" to include all persons employed by the agency, regardless of the fund or appropriation from which they are paid. Authorizes the zoo board to lease equipment necessary for a visitor transportation system within the zoological garden. Abolishes various open appropriations of dedicated receipts and replaces them with direct appropriations. Increases the salary of members of the parole board from \$20,000 to \$22,000 per year. Eliminates the exemption held by the department of economic development from the competitive bidding and other requirements of Ch. 16. Reduces from 90 days to 45 days the waiting period before a person who has filed a human rights complaint with the department of human rights can instead take his complaint to court. Allows cities of the first class to enforce local laws, ordinances and regulations governing the transfer of pistols that are more restrictive than state laws. Requires peace officers to report to the commissioner of public safety on the reason for any discharge of a firearm in the course of duty other than for training purposes. Allows law enforcement training programs in certain post-secondary vocational-technical institutes to satisfy the basic training requirements for peace officers. Delays the effective date for the prohibition on retail sale of milk in non-returnable plastic containers until 7-1-78. Most provisions of the act are effective 7-1-77.

## COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FRANCHISES, Chapter 9, S.F. 183: Amends various sections of M.S. 80C. Makes all of the franchise provisions of Chapter 80C applicable to motor vehicle dealerships and motor vehicle fuel retailers; extends definition of "franchise" for purposes of Chapter 80C to agreements wherein the franchisee in fact pays the franchise fee, regardless of whether the fee is required; modifies the deadline for filing annual reports relating to franchises from within 30 days after the annual anniversary date of the order for registration to within 120 days after the fiscal year end of the registrant; modifies the deadlines for filing copies of advertisements offering franchises from three business days to five business days prior to first publication.

TENTS AND SLEEPING BAGS, Chapter 13, S.F. 76: Amends Laws 1975, Ch. 341, Sec. 6. Extends the effective date for provisions requiring sleeping bags to be flame resistant and requiring tents and sleeping bags to be labeled as flame resistant from 1-1-77 to 10-1-77.

REGISTRATION OF REAL ESTATE, Chapter 21, S.F. 86: Amends various sections. Permits the registration of appurtenant easements; sets forth procedures for such registration. Permits personal representatives to apply for registration of land. Provides that the filing of an application for registration is notice of the proceeding. Limits period of appeal from order of district court made after the registration of land to 90 days. Permits the filing of money judgments on certificates of title only if the judgment debtor has a registered interest in the land.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS, Chapter 27, S.F. 401: Amends M.S. 168.27. Clarifies that new motor vehicle dealer licensees may lease new cars not covered by the licensee's franchise; removes the requirement that motor vehicle lessors have a permanent enclosed commercial building as a place of business.

BROKER DEALERS, AGENTS, AND INVESTMENT ADVISERS, Chapter 33, H.F. 283: Amends M.S. 80A.07. Clarifies the requirement that certain license suspension or revocation proceedings instituted on the basis of a fact or transaction known to the commissioner of securities when the initial license was issued, shall be commenced within 30 days after issuance of the initial license; clarifies that cease and desist orders issued by the securities commissioner must also give notice of the rights of the person affected to request a hearing on the cease and desist order. Effective 4-22-77.

SMALL BUSINESS BONDING, Chapter 44, H.F. 681: Amends M.S. 16.082, 16.083. Permits the commissioner of administration to accept "second party bonds" as security from small businesses for state procurement contracts.

REPORTS OF LAND SUBDIVIDERS WITH THE SECURITIES DIVISION, Chapter 46, H.F. 720: Amends M.S. 83.30. Modifies the deadline for annual reports of land subdividers to the securities division from within 30 days after the anniversary date of the order registering subdivided lands to within 120 days after the fiscal year end of the subdivider. Effective 5-5-77.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT PROVISIONS REGARDING INVENTIONS, Chapter 47,

H.F. 763: Makes unenforceable employment agreement provisions for assignment of invention rights to the employer as to inventions developed by the employee without using the employer's facilities or trade secret information, so long as the invention was developed solely on the employee's time, does not directly relate to the business of the employer or his actual or anticipated research or development, and does not result from work performed by the employee for the employer; requires the employer to notify the employee in writing of the nonapplicability of invention assignment provisions to such inventions.

MOBILE HOME RENTAL LOTS, Chapter 49, H.F. 1208: See Judiciary.

HOUSING WARRANTIES, Chapter 65, H.F. 38: Provides statutory warranties on the sale of new residential housing. The warranties are for specific types of defects over periods of from 1 to 10 years. Waiver is allowed in certain cases where major construction defects are disclosed. Remedies upon breach are set forth. The commissioner of administration may approve variations for warranty programs of individual vendors. Effective for contracts for sale signed on or after 1-1-78.

CUSTOMERS SERVICE OPTION ON ELECTRIC SERVICE, Chapter 99, H.F. 337:

Amends M.S. 216B.40 and 216B by adding a section. Authorizes a customer to elect to purchase all his electric service from a single electric utility providing him with electric service where the buildings or structures or land constituting the customer's homestead are located within more than one assigned service area, and authorizes the selected electric utility to extend its facilities through the assigned service area of another electric utility to facilitate service to the customer; applies only to electric service to buildings and other structures under construction on 4-11-74.

MILEAGE DISCLOSURE, Chapter 105, H.F. 882: Amends various sections of M.S. 168A. Requires that the application for first certificate of title for a motor vehicle and every certificate of title issued by the registrar of motor vehicles contain the true cumulative mileage registered on the odometer or that the actual mileage is unknown if the owner knows that the odometer reading is not the true mileage; requires the transferor of a motor vehicle to include the required mileage information on the certificate of title or elsewhere as required by the registrar of motor vehicles; requires motor vehicle dealers to make the mileage disclosures and requires them to include the mileage information as of both purchase and sale of motor vehicles in their records to be maintained for three years. Effective 7-1-78.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY, Chapter 137, S.F. 616: Amends various sections of M.S. 345 and adds sections; repeals M.S. 55.14. Includes cooperatives within the definition of "business association" and includes fraternal beneficiary associations within the definition of "life insurance corporation" for purposes of the uniform disposition of unclaimed property act.

Limits service charges deductible from certain unclaimed property to contracted charges for a one-year period; reduces the statutory period for property to be presumed abandoned from 20 years to 7 years except as to outstanding travelers' checks where the period is reduced to 15 years; reverses the presumption of abandonment as to bank deposits and funds deposited toward the purchase of shares or other interest in a business association or financial organization where stock certificates have not been issued, where the owner receives tax reports or statements of deposit by mail (receipt presumed if mailed first class and not returned) within the statutory period; reverses the presumption of abandonment as to bank deposits if there is activity by the owner in other bank deposits within the statutory period; includes as potentially abandoned property dividends deposited in a business association for the purchase of shares where the certificates have not been issued; permits lessors of safe deposit boxes to place the contents in a general safe deposit box on which rental has not been paid for six months after written notice mailed to the lessee. Specifically includes certain kinds of property as intangible personal property not otherwise covered by the act, as potentially unclaimed property. Requires an annual report to the state treasurer by persons holding property presumed abandoned; permits persons holding property which they have reason to believe will become unclaimed property to report and deliver the property to the state treasurer before the expiration of the statutory period, with the permission of the state treasurer. Permits cooperatives to pay property reported as unclaimed between 7-1-77 and 7-1-78 to the state treasurer in equal installments over three years, rather than in a lump sum immediately, if the state treasurer determines that a hardship exists. Permits the state treasurer to sell securities through stock exchanges, rather than at public sale. Prohibits persons from contracting to locate property known to be reported or delivered to the state treasurer before seven months after the date of delivery and limits the fee to 10% of the value of the property after that date unless the agreement is in writing and discloses the kind and value of property and the holder of the property. Requires the treasurer to deliver property to the Minnesota historical society if it has no commercial value and if no commercial or historical value, authorizes the treasurer to destroy the property. Effective 7-1-77.

INDUSTRIAL GAS CONTAINER, Chapter 152, S.F. 963: Amends M.S. 299F.40. Extends the provisions prohibiting persons other than the owners of liquefied petroleum gas containers from filling them to include gas containers for materials composed exclusively of oxygen, acetylene, nitrogen, argon or carbon dioxide. Makes the existing law relating to use or possession of gas containers without the owner's consent applicable to gas containers for the expanded list of materials.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LICENSING REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 168, H.F. 621: Amends M.S. 168.27. Permits motor vehicle lessors to sell vehicles they lease without obtaining a used motor vehicle dealer license. Clarifies that motor vehicle broker licensees may broker used motor vehicles only. Exempts persons making occasional sales or leases of motor vehicles from the motor vehicle dealer licensing provisions. Extends the power of the

registrar of motor vehicles with respect to violations by motor vehicle dealer licensees to require appropriate corrective action, and to suspend or revoke the dealer license if corrective action will not prevent repetition of the violation or if the public interest will not be served by corrective action. Requires that sellers of boat and snowmobile trailers have a permanent enclosed commercial building before they may obtain a dealer's license. Reduces bonding requirements for boat and snowmobile trailer dealers from \$10,000 to \$1,000. Provides for state preemption of local ordinances with respect to bonding requirements for motor vehicle dealers. Effective 5-20-77.

DISCRIMINATORY TRADE PRACTICES, SECONDARY BOYCOTTS, Chapter 173, S.F. 125:  
Amends M.S. 325.8018 and 325 by adding a section. Prohibits as an unlawful restraint of trade the act of requiring any person to be excluded from a business transaction on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin or on the basis that the person conducts business with persons of a particular race, sex, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, or on the basis that the person has done business in a particular country; prohibits certification of compliance, as part of a business transaction, with a policy requiring exclusion from a business transaction on these bases; prohibits letters of credit containing provisions requiring persons to discriminate or certify that a person has discriminated on these bases; prohibits compliance or agreement to comply, or certification of compliance with a discriminatory policy, as part of the business transaction; exempts provisions relating to labor disputes or unfair labor practices, requirements of association with a particular employer or group to obtain group rates or discount on insurance, etc., acts which are unfair discriminatory practices under the state civil rights provisions, or exemptions from the state civil rights provisions, documents containing specification as to country of origin, vessels carrying goods, or route of transportation, and compliance with the export laws of a foreign country as to activities exclusively within that country. Effective 5-20-77 and requiring compliance as to existing contracts or agreement by 12-31-78.

DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS IN CONSUMER TRANSACTIONS, Chapter 180, S.F. 147:  
Amends M.S. 550.37. Prohibits a seller or lender who repossesses or voluntarily accepts personal property in which he has a security interest pursuant to a consumer credit transaction where the amount of credit was \$3,000 or less from suing for any deficiency on the obligation; makes the buyer liable to the seller or lender if the buyer wrongfully damages the collateral or does not make it available to the seller or lender; permits the seller or lender to elect to sue the buyer for the debt and obtain a judgment but then prohibits repossession of the collateral or execution on the collateral pursuant to the judgment. Provides that the statutory exemption from execution of certain personal property, including household appliances, up to \$3,000 in value may not be waived except as to purchase money security interests. Deficiency judgment provisions effective as to consumer credit transactions entered into after 7-1-77.



PRE-LICENSE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS, Chapter 215, H.F. 40:

Amends various sections of M.S. 82. Permits the securities commissioner to adopt a system by rule providing for three-year real estate brokers and salespersons licenses. After 7-1-78, requires applicants for salespersons licenses to have completed 30 of the total of 90 hours of instruction required of licensees to have been completed prior to taking the examination and requires applicants to complete the remaining 60 hours of instruction within one year after the license is first issued. After 7-1-78, requires all real estate salespersons and brokers to complete 45 hours of real estate education within three years after their annual renewal date; classifies all such persons by lot into three categories to complete the educational requirements in staggered three-year terms; requires the securities commissioner to adopt rules defining course standards and standards for instructors. Requires the real estate advisory council to meet on a quarterly basis and consult with the securities commission as to educational licensees, pre-licensing requirements and administrative matters; prohibits members of the real estate advisory council from being connected with courses for continuing education for real estate salespersons or brokers. Requires the securities commissioner to include in the annual report of the commerce commission a report on the activities of the real estate education, research and recovery fund.

SMALL BUSINESS TRANSPORTATION SET ASIDE, Chapter 222, H.F. 339: Provides that the commissioner of transportation shall award at least 2% of the state transportation construction contracts per fiscal year to various small businesses. Requires a yearly report by the commissioner to the governor and legislature on the program.

REDUCED RATES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF WASTE MATERIAL FOR REPROCESSING, Chapter 285, H.F. 947: Amends M.S. 218.021. Permits common carriers to charge reduced rates for transportation of waste material for reprocessing. Effective 5-27-77.

INVENTION DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, Chapter 288, H.F. 1017: Requires that contracts for invention development services be in writing and that a customer get a copy of the contract when he signs it. Requires that the contract include certain information regarding further contracts for services, the customer's unconditional right to cancel within three days and receive all money and materials back, legal advice the customer may not get from the invention developer, data forming the basis for oral or written estimates of customer earnings, all acts or services performed by the invention developer, the number of customers contracting with the developer and the number of those customers receiving money from the developer in excess of fees, the date of completion of services, and all the names under which the developer has done business as an invention developer during the past ten years and its affiliates. Requires certain disclosures prior to execution of the contract. Requires the invention developer to keep records of its services for customers for at least three years after the expiration of the contract available for customer review and copying. Requires that

invention developers maintain a bond with the secretary of state. Provides that contracts not complying with the act are void and unenforceable. Provides that a violation of the act subjects the invention developer to treble damages or a statutory penalty and constitutes an unlawful trade practice under state law.

BEER BREWERS AND BEER WHOLESALERS, Chapter 328, S.F. 1070: See Liquor.

SMOKE DETECTORS, Chapter 333, H.F. 41: Amends M.S. 16.85 and 299F by adding a section. Requires the state building code to include the provisions of the act requiring smoke detectors. Requires the commissioner of public safety to promulgate rules as to placement of smoke detectors. Requires every apartment in an apartment house with three or more apartments to have a smoke detector; requires a smoke detector in every hotel room or guest room in a boarding house and requires a smoke detector in every dwelling unit in a single family home or duplex (if constructed, remodeled or rented after 1-1-80). Imposes the responsibility of maintenance of smoke detectors on the owner. Preempts municipal provisions regarding smoke detectors except as they require centralized electrical power sources for detectors on new construction. Except for rulemaking authority and building code provisions, effective 1-1-80.

GAS, ELECTRIC AND TELEPHONE RATE REGULATION, Chapter 359, H.F. 157: Amends M.S. 216B.16 and 237 by adding a section, and repealing 237.08. Increases from 30 days to 90 days the requirement of prior notice by gas and electric utilities of changes in rates; shifts from the public service commission to the filing utility the burden of giving written notice of proposed modified rates to governing bodies in the affected area. Clarifies the meaning of "final determination" which the public service commission must make regarding rate filings. Prohibits the public service commission from making an allowance for estimated current replacement value of utility property in determining the rate base for gas and electric utilities; permits the public service commission to exercise discretion in determining whether and to what extent the income used in determining the actual return on public utility property must include an allowance for funds used during construction to the extent that construction work in progress is included in the rate base after considering certain statutory factors. Requires the public service commission to disapprove gas and electric rates making allowance for advertising expenses if the advertisement is for the purpose of influencing public attitudes towards legislation, rules, or authorizations of agencies, where the advertisement is supporting or defending a rate or practice of the utility, where the advertisement is primarily to promote consumption of utility services, or where the advertisement is of an image building nature; specifically permits allowances for advertising expenses where the advertisement encourages conservation of energy, promotes safety, or informs and educates customers as to financial services made available by the utility; prohibits the commission from disapproving a rate because of allowances for expenses of the utility in disseminating information about corporate affairs to its owners. Permits the public service commission to

allow as operating expenses only charitable contributions which it deems prudent and which qualify under certain tax provisions, and then permits only 50% of those qualified contributions. Repeals the present provisions regarding rate changes for telephone companies and adopts provisions parallel to those for gas and electric utilities as amended by this act, except that the provisions regarding allowances for construction work in progress requiring an allowance for funds used during construction are adopted in the form applicable to gas and electric utilities prior to the amendments to those provisions made by this act, and, regarding advertising, the public service commission is prohibited only from making an allowance for advertising expenses by a telephone company for institutional advertising. Effective 6-3-77.

PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT, Chapter 364, H.F. 242: Amends various Minnesota Statutes, and repeals M.S. 239.20 and Laws 1975, Ch. 87, Sec. 5. Clarifies quorum provisions and quasi-judicial functions of the public service commission. Specifies certain administrative functions of the director of the public service department including preparing information forms, prescribing the time and manner of filing the forms, authorizing inspection of records of regulated businesses, and noticing for deposition persons concerning the business and affairs of regulated businesses. Authorizes the public service commission to order a stay or suspension of its order during the pendency of an appeal on the order. Reduces fees for licenses for warehousemen where the warehouse has a storage capacity of less than 20,000 square feet. Requires warehousemen to post certain notices if closed for more than 48 consecutive hours, excluding Sundays and legal holidays; requires immediate notification to the public service department when there is loss or destruction of a public local grain warehouse. Redefines "grain" for purposes of issuing a receipt for storage of grain. Gives the department of public service complete discretion to fix proper and adequate rates and methods of depreciation and amortization of telephone company property. Specifically provides a method of hearing a telephone company's objections to a bill for costs of investigations or determinations of the public service department on certain matters. Removes bonding requirements for the supervisor of weights and measures and his deputy. Removes the requirement of an annual report to the governor by the division of weights and measures to test measuring devices only as often as necessary, rather than at least once annually. Changes the penalty for violation of weights and measures provisions to a misdemeanor with the statutory monetary penalty and prison sentence.

INFORMATIONAL LABELS ON NEW PICKUP TRUCKS, Chapter 385, H.F. 562: Requires manufacturers of new trucks having gross vehicle weight of 9,000 lbs. or less built after 12-31-78 to label them regarding suggested retail price, price of optional equipment, etc. as required by federal law on new automobiles.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS, Chapter 391, H.F. 723: Provides for funding to community development corporations set up pursuant to statute, that carry out projects intended to benefit the community in which the corporation is set up. Effective the day following final enactment.

BID AND PERFORMANCE BONDS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES, Chapter 394, H.F. 772:  
Provides that the state may partially indemnify bonding companies which provide bid and performance bonds to various small businesses awarded state construction and procurement contracts.

HOUSING, Chapter 401, H.F. 875: Amends M.S. 462.555 and various provisions in Ch. 462A. Increases the authorized debt limit for the housing finance agency. Authorizes a new home ownership assistance program. Appropriates \$40 million to the MHFA as follows: \$21.5 million for housing rehabilitation grants, \$10 million to be used to reduce the interest rate on rehabilitation loans, \$7.5 million for the home ownership assistance program, and \$1 million for innovative rehabilitation and development projects, of which \$500,000 may be used for the construction of homes demonstrating the use of solar energy and underground construction. Cooperative housing corporations are made eligible for agency programs. The agency is required to provide technical assistance for multifamily housing projects. Additional grant monies are made available for the handicapped. Certain agency data is made private. Local HRA's may exceed their interest limitation when borrowing money from the MHFA. Other changes are made in the MHFA laws relating to certain loans and grants, agency borrowing and agency budgets.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BONDS, Chapter 420, H.F. 1283: Amends M.S. 474.01. Removes the requirement for approval of industrial development bonds from the commissioner of economic development and places it with the commissioner of securities.

DETACHED WORKER PROGRAM, Chapter 435, S.F. 655: Appropriates \$59,600 to the governor's commission on crime prevention and control to be used to fund detached worker programs for assistance of young people in the cities of Austin, Brainerd, and the northeastern suburban area of Hennepin county.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

TELEPHONE FRAUD, Chapter 14, S.F. 201: Amends M.S. 609.785. Makes the use of so-called black, red or blue boxes to fraudulently obtain telephone service a felony.

U OF M PEACE OFFICERS, Chapter 82, S.F. 617: See Judiciary.

CONVICTIONS FOR BIG GAME VIOLATIONS, Chapter 110, H.F. 188: See Environment and Natural Resources.

CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT REFERENCES, Chapter 130, S.F. 188: Amends various sections to include correct cross-references to new criminal sexual conduct provisions. Effective 5-20-77.

HENNEPIN COUNTY, Chapter 158, S.F. 1103: See Local Government, Counties, Hennepin.

RAILROAD VANDALISM, Chapter 179, S.F. 143: Establishes new crime of railroad vandalism. Provides felony and gross misdemeanor penalties for willful damage of or other destructive behavior to railroad property or equipment or injury to persons caused by destruction of or tampering with railroad property or equipment.

APPEARANCE AT POST-CONVICTION REMEDY HEARINGS, Chapter 190, S.F. 466: Amends M.S. 590.04. Permits court to determine in all cases whether appearance of petitioner at a post-conviction hearing is appropriate.

MENTAL EXAMINATIONS OF DEFENDANTS, Chapter 196, S.F. 587: Amends M.S. 253A.07. Authorizes county courts to order mental examinations of defendants in criminal proceedings.

MULTI-COUNTY GRAND JURIES, Chapter 208, S.F. 1051: Amends M.S. 628.41. Permits the convening of multi-county grand juries to consider cases involving multi-jurisdictional crime.

INTERIM CLAIMS, Chapter 223, H.F. 384: See Appropriations.

WELFARE FRAUD, Chapter 225, H.F. 461: Amends M.S. 256.98 and 393.07. Redefines the elements of fraud in the food stamp program and sets forth the standard to be used in determining the amount of welfare assistance improperly paid or obtained.

INSURANCE SOLICITORS AND AGENTS, Chapter 243, H.F. 635: See Insurance.

SHORT-BARRELED SHOTGUNS, Chapter 255, S.F. 766: Amends M.S. 609.67. Prohibits possession, ownership and operation of short-barreled shotguns except by members of the military, law enforcement officers and prison personnel, or as collector's items. Requires report to BCA by any individual who owns or possesses such a weapon. Effective 5-26-77.

CRIME CONTROL PLANNING BOARD, Chapter 260, S.F. 1077: See Governmental Operations.

HUMAN SERVICES, Chapter 281, H.F. 914: See Health and Welfare, Social Services.

VICTIM CRISIS CENTERS, Chapter 314, S.F. 514: Appropriates \$250,000 to commissioner of corrections to establish two victim crisis centers to assist victims of crime. Assistance includes crisis intervention, transportation, referral, education, etc. Provides for program evaluation. Effective 5-28-77.

GUN CONTROL, Chapter 349, H.F. 800: Amends M.S. 609.135, 624.712 and 624.714. Prohibits stay of imposition or execution of sentence for individuals sentenced for certain crimes. Requires all federally licensed firearms dealers to report a proposed transfer of a pistol to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Requires a check of the proposed transferee within 7-day waiting period to determine whether he is prohibited by law from possessing a pistol. Seven-day waiting period may be waived by local law enforcement agency; does not apply if proposed transferee presents a valid permit to carry a pistol or presents a valid transferee permit. Sets forth procedures to obtain transferee permits. Provides for appeal by aggrieved persons on the issue of whether they are prohibited by law from possessing a pistol. Provides penalties for the transfer of a pistol in violation of law, or for the transfer of a pistol to an individual who is not known to or presents no evidence of his identity to the transferor. Law does not apply to transfers by other than federally licensed firearms dealers.

MISDEMEANOR FINES AND FELONY THRESHOLD, Chapter 355, H.F. 82: Amends various provisions. Raises the maximum fine for a misdemeanor conviction from \$300 to \$500. Encourages the court to impose restitution as a condition of stay of imposition or execution of sentence. Raises from \$100 to \$300 the value of pecuniary gain received by the defendant incident to a violation of law prior to the categorization of the violation as a felony for the following crimes: livestock rustling, arson in the third degree, negligent fires, damage to property, defeating security on realty, fraudulent long distance telephone calls and coercion.

CRIME VICTIM REPARATIONS, Chapter 356, H.F. 83: Raises the limit on awards to crime victims from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Allows reduction of award by amounts received from collateral sources. Effective as to crimes committed after 7-1-77.

CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, Chapter 371, H.F. 343: Prohibits the promotion, use, or employment of a minor to produce an obscene work, and prohibits the ownership or operation of a place of business in which such an obscene work is disseminated. Violation of either provision is a felony. Dissemination of such an obscene work for profit is a misdemeanor. Effective 7-1-77.

PROBATION SERVICES, Chapter 392, H.F. 728: Amends various sections of M.S. 242. Removes statutory references to the youth corrections board and transfers its powers to the commissioner of corrections. Provides for restoration of civil rights and sealing of court records. Provides for use of wages paid to inmates to pay for room and board, and for support of dependents. Provides for conditional release of inmates to appear at support hearings. Provides for reimbursement to counties for probation and parole services. Allows district court probation officers to detain probationers and parolees. Changes membership of local corrections advisory boards. Provides for allocation of funds upon withdrawal by a county from a human services board. Repeals inconsistent statutes.

CABLE T.V. THEFT, Chapter 396, H.F. 801: Amends M.S. 238.09 and 609.52. Creates a new crime of cable television theft, which consists of the intentional and unauthorized taking of cable television service by making a connection or attaching devices to any component of a cable television system. Prohibits the sale, lease, offer for sale, lease or use of any item designed to make an unauthorized connection to a system.

BATTERED WOMEN, Chapter 428, S.F. 124: Provides \$500,000 for the establishment of four pilot programs to assist battered women. Commissioner of corrections to select programs from among applicants and fund educational programs. Establishes an advisory task force to assist the commissioner. Provides for the collection of data on battered women. Allows payment of general assistance to residents of crisis centers. Appropriates \$100,000 for counseling, training and stipends to displaced homemakers. Effective 6-3-77 and 7-1-77.

PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING, Chapter 433, S.F. 411: See Governmental Operations.

DETACHED WORKER PROGRAM, Chapter 435, S.F. 655: See Commerce and Economic Development.

CLAIMS, Chapter 450, H.F. 1630: See Appropriations.

HEALTH, WELFARE, CORRECTIONS OMNIBUS APPROPRIATION, Chapter 453, S.F. 1416: See Appropriations.

## EDUCATION

LAND TRANSFER, Chapter 2, H.F. 12: Detaches land from ISD No. 15 and attaches it to ISD No. 911. Effective upon local approval.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BY JOINT BOARDS, Chapter 30, H.F. 291: Amends M.S. 123.73. Authorizes joint boards to acquire by lease-purchase, installment purchase, or in any other manner, any necessary computer hardware or software and provides that obligations issued to acquire this property not be included in the net debt of any district. Effective 4-22-77.

TRADE SCHOOL COURSES, Chapter 59, S.F. 600: Amends M.S. 141.35. Exempts courses of instruction in the fine arts provided by certain organizations from the private business, trade and correspondence school act.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT LAW, Chapter 67, S.F. 362: See Retirement.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625 SEVERANCE PAY, Chapter 85, S.F. 1415: Allows payment of severance pay to certain school district employees. Effective upon local approval.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT LAW, Chapter 97, H.F. 307: See Retirement.

LAND TRANSFER, Chapter 102, H.F. 521: Detaches land from ISD No. 196 and annexes it to ISD No. 194. Effective upon local approval.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBERS TO SCHOOL BOARDS, Chapter 106, H.F. 888: Allows school boards to appoint a student advisory member. Allows the student advisory member to be permitted to attend school board meetings, to be furnished with agenda materials, to introduce items for inclusion in the agenda, and to participate in discussion. Does not entitle the advisory member to vote.

LAND TRANSFER, Chapter 116, H.F. 563: Detaches land from ISD No. 721 and annexes it to ISD No. 194. Effective upon local approval.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ADVISORY TASK FORCES, Chapter 163, S.F. 1234: Amends M.S. 15.014. Authorizes the creation of not to exceed ten additional task forces in addition to those previously allowed. Requires that these additional task forces be for curriculum development purposes only and expire one year after creation. Effective 5-23-77.

LAND TRANSFER, Chapter 302, H.F. 1518: Detaches land from ISD No. 272 and annexes it to ISD No. 271. Effective upon local approval.



PILOT TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, Chapter 306, S.F. 120: Amends M.S. 120.095, 120.10, Subd. 2 and 126.07. Provides for the establishment of not less than three pilot transitional bilingual education programs for children of limited English speaking ability to allow these children to progress effectively through the educational system and to attain the basic skills so that they will be able to perform ordinary class work successfully in English. Set standards for instruction and program requirements. Provides for the method of enrollment and limits enrollment to three years. Establishes special licensure provisions for bilingual education teachers. Requires affirmative action in hiring of personnel and community involvement in the programs. Requires the state board of education to conduct a statewide assessment of the need for bilingual education programs, to conduct a resource evaluation, to design program models, to provide technical assistance, to apply for funds, to promulgate rules, and to provide for comprehensive evaluations of the pilot programs. Creates an advisory task force on bilingual education programs. Requires the school census to include an enumeration of the number of children of limited English speaking ability residing within the district. Appropriates \$550,000 for the biennium of which \$400,000 is for pilot program grants.

PILOT AMERICAN INDIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE EDUCATION PROGRAMS, Chapter 312, S.F. 455: Amends M.S. 120.095. Provides for the establishment of not less than six pilot American Indian language and culture education programs to make the curriculum more relevant to the needs, interests and cultural heritage of American Indian pupils, to provide positive reinforcement of the self image of American Indian pupils, and to develop intercultural awareness among pupils, parents and staff. Sets standards for programs. Provides for voluntary enrollment. Establishes special licensure provisions for American Indian language and culture education teachers. Requires affirmative action in the hiring of personnel and community involvement in the programs. Requires the state board of education to conduct a statewide assessment of the need for American Indian language and culture education programs, to conduct a resource evaluation, to design program models, to provide technical assistance, to apply for funds, to promulgate rules, and to provide for a comprehensive evaluation of the pilot programs. Creates an advisory task force on American Indian language and culture education programs. Requires the school census to include an enumeration of American Indian students residing within the district. Appropriates \$600,000 for the biennium for grants to these pilot programs.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT FUND, Chapter 313, S.F. 472: See Retirement.

EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FACILITIES IN NORTHERN MINNESOTA, Chapter 320, S.F. 690: Appropriates \$440,000 as a grant to assist in constructing and equipping public educational television facilities at or near Bemidji state university. Effective 7-1-77.

COUNCIL ON QUALITY EDUCATION, Chapter 404, H.F. 967: Amends M.S. 3.925 and 3.927. Allows the CQE to perform research and allows the council to expend 10% of its venture fund to support research and to fund grants solicited as a result of this research.

HEALTH SCREENING OF PRESCHOOL CHILDREN, Chapter 437, S.F. 743: See Health and Welfare, Health.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING, Chapter 445, S.F. 1395: Amends M.S. 139.18. Provides that the board of arts shall allocate funds to public educational television stations so that each station receives an equal grant, except that no station's grant may exceed the amount of Minnesota-based contributions received by that station in the previous fiscal year. Alters the method of calculating these contributions. Removes the prohibition of grants to public stations in the metropolitan area. Appropriates \$300,000 for the biennium for grants. Creates a legislative commission to study public broadcasting in the state and to report to the 1978 legislature. Appropriates \$25,000 for commission expenses.

EDUCATION AIDS BILL, Chapter 447, H.F. 550: Amends various Minnesota Statutes.

#### Article I - Foundation Aid Program

Establishes October 1 as date for count of AFDC pupils in district for purposes of AFDC pupil units. Changes declining enrollment pupil unit count for purposes of determining districts' foundation aid entitlements and levy limitations, to the number of pupil units equal to the greater of (a) the average of pupil units for the 2 prior years and the current year (3 year averaging) or (b) the pupil units for the current year increased by .6 times the difference between the pupil units in the prior year and the current year. Changes penalty for unjustifiably lost days of school to lost days + 175 x 60% x district's formula allowance x district's pupil units. Allows up to 5 of the required 175 days to be spent on parent-teacher conferences and teachers' workshops. Requires that the amount of a district's county apportionment which exceeds the amount apportioned to the district in 1976-1977 be deducted from foundation aid beginning in 1977-1978. Provides for deduction of remainder of district's county apportionment to be phased in over a six-year period.

Sets 1977-1978 foundation aid at \$1,030 per pupil unit less 29 EARC mills. Sets 1978-1979 foundation aid at \$1,090 per pupil unit less 28 EARC mills, plus the amount of the district's agricultural tax credit. Requires the department of education, beginning in 1978, to pay each district 1/2 of its agricultural tax entitlement in August and 1/2 in November as part of the district's foundation aid payment in those months. Clarifies that the agricultural tax credit applies to school taxes only. Defines shared time pupils as those pupils who attend public school for part of the regular school day but who otherwise fulfill the compulsory school attendance requirement by attending a private school. Provides that shared time foundation aid shall be paid to the pupil's district of residence, except in cases when the resident district grants to the shared time pupil's district of attendance permission to collect state aids for the non-resident shared time pupil.

Permits districts to levy for school maintenance purposes 28 mills times the 1976 EARC in 1977 and 27 mills times the 1977 EARC in 1978. Makes changes in procedures for levy referendum elections. Repeals guarantee aid effective 7-1-79. Appropriates for foundation aid:

<u>1977-1978</u>	<u>1978-1979</u>
\$611,600,000	\$634,300,000

Article II - Transportation Aid Program

Provides for a transportation aid formula for 1977-1978 equal to the lesser of (a) 117% of the 1975-76 costs times the number of pupils transported in 1977-78, minus 1 EARC mill, or (b) the actual operating cost per eligible pupil transported in 1977-1978 times the number of pupils transported, minus 1 EARC mill. Provides for a transportation aid formula for 1978-1979 equal to the lesser of (a) 127% of the 1975-76 costs times the number of pupils transported in 1978-79, minus 1 EARC mill, or (b) the actual net operating cost per eligible pupil transported in 1977-1978 times the number of pupils transported in 1977-1978, minus 1 EARC mill. For both years, adds aid for depreciation at 1/3 per year of cost of reconditioning of buses by department of corrections.

Allows base cost adjustments for: alteration in school district boundaries; omissions in school district reports until 12-15-77; addition of an authorized category of transportation if that category was not provided in 1976; omissions in school district reports determined by the legislative auditor; increased costs resulting from a school closing if the cost increases can be demonstrated to be a result of the school closing and the increases result in costs above the formula limitation. Requires commissioner to adjust the base cost to reflect changes in the qualification for bus depreciation when there is a change in bus fleet ownership from district owned to contractor owned and vice versa.

Limits aid authorization for secondary vocational center transportation to pupils taking vocational classes. Removes authorization for payment of aid for transportation to and from community-based employment stations which are a part of an approved secondary vocational program. Adds authorization for payment of aid for transportation to, from, and between educational facilities in two or more districts for academic courses if the transportation is provided in conjunction with secondary vocational center transportation. Allows extra levy for increased transportation costs above the formula limitation due to the leasing of a school in another district.

Appropriates \$200,000 for fiscal 1978 and \$216,000 for fiscal 1979 for school bus reconditioning by corrections department.

Appropriates for transportation aid:

<u>1977-1978</u>	<u>1978-1979</u>
\$74,815,000	\$78,310,000

### Article III - Special Education Aid Program

Clarifies that school age for a handicapped child is determined by the age of the child on September 1 of the calendar year in which the school year for which he seeks education begins.

Creates a program of inservice training for regular classroom teachers in techniques of educating handicapped pupils. (Was a pilot program in 1976-1977.)

Eliminates the floating percentage of salaries paid by the state for special education and sets percentage at 60% in 1977-1978 and 65% in 1978-1979. Increases the cap on percent of salaries from \$11,000 to \$11,500 in 1977-1978 and \$12,000 in 1978-1979. Decreases from 10 to 5 the percent of salaries of essential special education personnel to be paid to districts in recognition of the additional support costs of special education programs. Removes the foundation aid deduction provision and associated rule-making authority for the department of education. Requires applications for special education aid to include an evaluation of the necessity of the requested program and personnel. Requires the commissioner to review program applications in order to determine if programs are necessary to meet the district's obligations under the mandatory special education law. Requires the commissioner to disapprove aid requested for programs determined to be unnecessary.

#### Appropriates:

Inservice training programs	\$ 1,500,000 for 1977-79
Deficiency appropriation	3,889,150 for 1976-77
Special education aid	66,225,000 for 1977-78
	78,140,000 for 1978-79.

### Article IV - Community and Adult Education Programs

Requires representatives of local park and recreation departments on community education advisory councils. Requires councils to adopt a policy to reduce and eliminate duplication of programs. Continues community education aid at 50¢ per capita and authorizes a community education levy of \$2 per capita or the amount certified in 1976, whichever is greater. Amount certified in 1976 would include community recreation levies for those districts which qualified in 1976. In order to levy, requires a district to certify that all governing boards within the district have been notified of a meeting and that a meeting has been held to discuss cooperation among the boards.

#### Appropriates:

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
Adult Education	\$ 594,000	\$ 600,000
GED Test Reimbursement	80,000	80,000
Community Education	1,600,000	1,700,000

#### Article V - Vocational Education Programs

Sets AVTI foundation aid at \$2,120 in 1977-78 and \$2,240 in 1978-79. Adds programs and support services for handicapped and disadvantaged pupils to purposes of AVTI categorical aid. Eliminates AVTI discretionary levies.

Eliminates free tuition for AVTI pupils under 21, effective 7-1-78. Requires that all Minnesota residents attending AVTI's pay tuition of \$2 per day, beginning in the 1978-1979 school year. Provides for tuition subsidies of up to 75% of tuition for Minnesota resident post-secondary AVTI students, who are under 21 years of age and who are not receiving state scholarships or grants-in-aid. Requires that recipients of tuition subsidies be selected by the AVTI of attendance and that selection be based upon the need of the applicant as determined by the rules and procedures of the higher education coordinating board. Allows forgiveness of tuition for period while subsidy application is pending if application is denied and student therefore promptly withdraws. Requires HECEB to distribute funds for the tuition subsidies as needed to the AVTI's. Appropriates \$3,600,000 for this purpose.

Permits vocational centers to offer any educational services or programs agreed upon by the participating members. Requires academic offerings to be provided only under the direction of properly licensed academic supervisory personnel. Removes requirement that the state commissioner and board of vocational education approve the vocational centers' financing plans. Starting 1978-1979, provides current secondary vocational aid of: 50% of salaries of essential, licensed personnel; 50% of costs of necessary equipment; and 50% of costs of necessary teacher travel between instructional sites. Reduces state aid by federal aid received for program. Provides aid only for programs approved under state board rules. Requires rules to provide minimum student/staff ratios for vocational center programs. Prohibits rules from requiring minimum number of program offerings or administrative staff or the availability of student activities or organizations and from incorporating by reference the provisions of the state plan for vocational education. Clarifies that requirements in rules that courses be available for a minimum number of hours do not prevent students from enrolling on an exploratory basis for less than a full school year.

Starting in 1977-78, current adult vocational aid for districts and cooperative centers set at 75% of salaries of essential, licensed personnel. Provides aid for 50% of necessary travel by teachers to and from instructional sites. Reduces state aid by federal aid received for the program. Provides for aid only to programs approved under state board rules and, until 1978-1979, the state plan for vocational education. Eliminates state plan as authority for program approval after 1977-1978. Requires state board rules to include minimum student-staff ratios and not to incorporate the provisions of the state plan by reference. Effective 7-1-78, requires that adults enrolled in farm management programs for more than six years pay tuition equal to the full cost of the program.

Requires state board of education to conduct a statewide needs assessment to determine future program needs for services to handicapped or disadvantaged students in vocational-technical education. Requires report on study to legislature by February, 1978. Appropriates \$15,000 for this purpose.

Appropriates:

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
AVTI Foundation Aid	\$59,675,000	\$56,100,000
AVTI Categorical Aid	7,668,000	7,645,000
(Assumes \$4,732,000 in 1978 and \$4,755,000 in 1979 of federal money)		
AVTI Capital Expenditure Aid	6,000,000	6,000,000
AVTI Debt Service Aid	7,608,380	7,814,865
AVTI Deficit Payment	1,188,925	--
Adult Vocational Aid	4,500,000	5,450,000
Veteran Farmer Training Program	1,729,660	1,218,200
Secondary Vocational Aid	16,000,000	16,200,000

Article VI - Other Aid and Levy Programs

Limits emergency aid to physical calamities. Provides for state board review of financial condition of applicants for emergency aid. Provides state capital expenditure equalization aid to districts where capital expenditure levy of 10 mills does not raise \$75 per pupil unit. The aid is the difference between \$75 per pupil unit and the amount raised by 10 mills. \$80 per pupil unit is used for fast growth districts. Requires a levy of 10 mills to be eligible for this aid. Aid shall be distributed prior to November 1 of each year. Provides that no district's maximum effort debt service levy shall be more than 20 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district. Provides that the state shall pay 4¢ for each full paid school lunch served and shall not pay for free and reduced price lunches. Eliminates capital outlay portion of school district attached machinery aid. Specifies that capital expenditure levy proceeds may be used to reduce or eliminate architectural barriers to handicapped persons. Prohibits school districts from levying outside levy limits for liability insurance costs. Prohibits the state board prior to 7-1-79, from implementing the equipment and auxiliary services sections of the non-public school aid law. Prohibits use of proceeds of excess capital expenditure levy allowed for leasing buildings for custodial or maintenance costs as part of the lease.

Appropriates \$100,000 per year for the St. Paul career study centers. Appropriates \$560,000 for 3-year phase-out of declining valuation aid to school districts. Makes \$186,000 deficiency appropriation for tax delinquency aid for 1975-77. Appropriates \$200,000 for the biennium to the department of education to distribute to ECSU's for the provision of technical assistance to school districts for planning, evaluation and reporting.

Appropriates:

	<u>1977-1978</u>	<u>1978-1979</u>
Educational Cooperative Service Units	\$499,950	\$499,950
Tax Delinquency Aid	200,000	200,000
Capital Expenditure Equalization Aid	560,000	300,000
Eligible Teacher Program Aid	112,500	60,000
Emergency Aid (for biennium)	400,000	--
Gross Earnings Aid	300,000	300,000

Article VII - Miscellaneous Provisions

Authorizes the state auditor to audit funds of political subdivisions when those funds consist in part or whole of federal monies. Clarifies compulsory attendance law by providing that children must be in school the entire time school is in session each school year and by requiring the school year to be a minimum of 175 days and a maximum of 200 days. Clarifies provisions of uniform financial accounting and reporting system ("UFARS") law. Requires school boards to adopt their budgets prior to 7-1-78 and each year thereafter and construes the budget so adopted as the expenditure authorizing document for the district. Prohibits transfers of money from operating to non-operating funds of a school district, except for errors, deficits in discontinued funds and temporary transfers for less than one year. Removes double taxation for school district obligations on property detached from one district and annexed to another. Establishes requirements for school district publication of financial information. Changes from April 1 to June 1 date for notification of lay-off to probationary teachers and teachers placed on unrequested leave of absence. Delays until 1978 the first levy for reducing statutory operating debt. Requires school districts to apply any final balance in debt service funds to reduce the basic maintenance levy of the district. Extends non-public school advisory task force through 5-15-78.

Article VIII - Early Childhood and Family Education Programs

Expands minimum number of council on quality education funded pilot programs from 10 to 22. Extends council's authority to make grants to these programs for two more years, through 1978-1979. Limits to two the number of funded programs in one district. Allows program to serve more than one elementary school attendance area if deemed appropriate by the council. Requires council on quality education and advisory task force to conduct a study of policy issues involved in provision of early childhood and family education and to report to legislature by 1-15-79.

Appropriates \$854,000 per year of which \$777,000 per year is for pilot programs.

Article IX - Teacher Mobility Incentives

Allows full-time public elementary and secondary school teachers who have been employed for 10 years but not more than 20 years and who are less than

55 years old, to take an extended leave of absence from the district, upon agreement with the local school board, without pay and for a period not longer than five years. Allows teachers taking extended leaves of absence to be reinstated to positions for which they are licensed at the beginning of each school year during the leave unless discharged or placed on unrequested leave of absence. Provides that reinstated teachers shall retain their seniority positions and continuing contract rights within the district as if working during the years on leave. Permits teachers granted extended leaves of absence to contribute to their teachers' retirement fund, during the years on leave, based upon the salary received during the school year preceding the leave. Requires the employing district to contribute the employer's share of the retirement fund contribution based upon the same salary.

Allows school districts, with the approval of the commissioner of finance, to grant an early retirement incentive to elementary and secondary school teachers who have taught for 15 years and who are over 55 but less than 65 years of age. Establishes early retirement incentive payment at \$7,500 for teachers who are 55 years of age at the time of application for resignation. Specifies that the amount of the early retirement incentive payment be reduced by \$375 for each year an applicant teacher is over 55 but under 60 years of age and \$1,125 for each year an applicant teacher is over 60 years of age. Provides that the state pay 10% of any amounts paid out by districts for early retirement incentives.

Permits public elementary and secondary school teachers who have 20 years teaching experience and have been assigned to part-time teaching positions by agreement with the local school board to contribute to their teachers' retirement fund as if they were working full time, for up to 10 years. Requires districts to apply to and receive authorization from the commissioner of finance before assigning a teacher to a part-time position qualifying for continuation of full-time contributions.

Appropriates \$1,000,000 for 1977-1978 and \$2,000,000 for 1978-1979 for the part-time teachers and early retirement incentives programs.

#### Article X - Experimental Pairing and District Planning

Allows certain pairs of districts to make agreements under which one district discontinues any of grades kindergarten through twelve and the other district instructs the pupils from the discontinued grades.

Requires establishment of an ECSU educational planning task force in each area. Requires each district to develop a plan for efficient and effective delivery of educational programs and services for the period 7-1-80 through 6-30-83, and to submit this plan to the ECSU task force by 12-1-78. Requires task force to review and comment on plans from each district and develop an areawide plan, including opportunities for and impediments to areawide coordination and cooperation. Requires task force to send districts its comments on local plan and its plan to each district by 6-1-79. Requires task force to prepare a plan for districts not submitting local



plans. Requires state department to review each task force's report and transmit all task force reports to legislature by 9-1-79. Requires a department to provide a report for any area not submitting a report.

After 7-1-77, prohibits initiation of bond referendum or solicitation of bids for construction of an educational facility costing more than \$400,000 prior to review and comment by the commissioner. Prohibits division of construction projects to evade cost limitations. Requires commissioner to respond to each proposal within 60 days of receipt. Requires publication in newspaper of review and comment at least 20 but no more than 60 days before bond referendum or solicitation of bids. Requires annual report to legislature starting in 1978, on review and comment activity, including amount of construction carried out against commissioner's advice. If amount is substantial, requires report to include recommendations for legislation to prevent unwise construction, including certificate of need.

Appropriates \$700,000 for biennium for task forces and \$55,000 for department for review and comment.

## ELECTIONS

ELECTION CERTIFICATES OF LEGISLATORS, Chapter 32, H.F. 21: Amends M.S. 204A.54. Provides for delivery of the original certificate of election of a legislator to the chief clerk of the house or the secretary of the senate. Requires the chief clerk or the secretary of the senate to provide a copy of the certificate to the person elected upon demand.

ACCESSIBILITY OF POLLING PLACES TO THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED, Chapter 88, S.F. 1208: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 204A. Requires cities, towns and counties to select as polling places only those sites which meet standards of accessibility provided in the act. Requires polling place entrances and exits to have a minimum width of 31 inches. Requires curb cuts or temporary ramps on any curb adjacent to a main entrance of a polling place. Requires temporary handrails and ramps on any stairs which must be used to enter the polling place. Requires election judges to assist any person who is unable to enter the polling place so that a person may register and vote without leaving his vehicle. (This provision applies only in polling places using paper ballots. See Laws 1977, Ch. 308, Sec. 5.)

ELECTION JUDGES; PUBLIC MEETINGS ON ELECTION DAY; BALLOT COUNTING PROCEDURES, Chapter 91, S.F. 51: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Permits a town treasurer to be an election judge if the town has only one election precinct. Prohibits school boards, county boards and city councils from conducting public meetings between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. on any day when an election is held within the boundaries of that school district, county or city. Prohibits state universities, state community colleges and public elementary and secondary schools from holding school-sponsored events between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. on an election day. Provides a procedure for election judges to reconcile the number of ballots distributed and the number of ballots cast in a polling place. Corrects certain obsolete references to the attorney general with respect to adoption of rules for the use of experimental voting machines and testing of electronic voting system programs. Permits election judges to be paid more than \$1 for attendance at instructional meetings concerning their duties in voting machine precincts. Clarifies current law which permits an absentee voter to register to vote by mailing a completed registration card with the absentee ballot. Effective 5-19-77.

ELECTION DISTRICTS IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 710, Chapter 92, S.F. 845: Establishes each of the six high school attendance districts within Independent School District No. 710 as a separate election district. Requires a director to reside in the election district he represents. Establishes staggered terms so that directors from two districts are elected each year for a three-year term. Requires establishment of one polling place in each election district.

SPECIAL HOURS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION, Chapter 96, H.F. 300: Amends M.S. 201.091, Subd. 6. Eliminates the requirement that voter registration offices remain open during the evening on certain days and on Saturday immediately preceding the last day for voter registration.

MINNEAPOLIS CAMPAIGN FINANCE REGULATION, Chapter 131, S.F. 213: Provides that the regulation of financing of campaigns for election of Minneapolis city, school board, park board and library board offices will not be governed by state law or regulation but solely by an ordinance adopted by the Minneapolis city council. Requires that the provisions of M.S. Ch. 10A concerning frequency and dates for the filing of reports by political committees and relating to the information required in those reports shall be the minimum requirement for reporting under the city ordinance. Provides that violation of the ordinance shall be a gross misdemeanor unless otherwise provided in the ordinance. Provides that a person convicted of an ordinance violation shall not be permitted to take or hold the office to which he was elected or receive the emoluments thereof. Provides for enforcement of the ordinance by the county attorney. Provides that the act will be superseded by any law imposing local campaign finance regulation statewide which is enacted after the effective date of the act. Effective upon approval by the Minneapolis city council and submission of a certificate of approval to the secretary of state.

ELECTION JUDGES; SERVICE IN PRECINCTS IN WHICH JUDGE DOES NOT RESIDE, Chapter 133, S.F. 335: Amends various sections of Minnesota Statutes. Provides that a person who serves as an election judge in a precinct in which he does not reside may vote by absentee ballot. Permits each political party to designate either the county chairman or the legislative district chairman of the party as the person to furnish county auditor with a list of voters qualified to act as election judges in each county. Provides that such lists shall be furnished in all counties of the state, not just for election precincts in municipalities where 1,000 or more votes were cast in the last general election. Permits a municipality or county to appoint as an election judge a person who resides outside the precinct in which he will serve if an insufficient number of names of qualified voters in that precinct are on file with the appointing authority.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR PERSONS ELECTED TO CITY OR COUNTY OFFICES, Chapter 140, S.F. 737: Amends M.S. 3.088. Permits appointed officers or employees of political subdivisions, school districts, or state institutions of learning to take a leave of absence from that public office or employment during all or part of any period devoted to full-time service as an elected city or county official. Requires that such persons be reinstated in the same position or a similar position as that held at the time of taking office as a city or county officer (provided the position has not been abolished during the term of office) if the person applies for reinstatement within 30 days after the expiration of the term to which

he was elected and within 10 years after the granting of the original leave of absence. Requires that a reinstated officer or employee be granted the same rights with respect to seniority, vacation and other benefits as if he had been actually employed during the time of the leave of absence.

ELECTION PRECINCT BOUNDARIES; ALTERATIONS PERMITTED FOR ANNEXATION, Chapter 149, S.F. 916: Amends M.S. 204A.06. Permits municipalities to alter election precinct boundaries when annexing unincorporated areas. Permits an annexed area to be included in the election precinct immediately adjacent to it in the annexing municipality. Requires the municipal clerk to notify each registered voter affected by a change in the boundary of an election precinct at least 30 days before the first election after that change takes effect. Requires the municipal clerk to maintain a file of election precinct maps and to keep those maps up-to-date with respect to boundary changes. Requires the municipal clerk to furnish copies of the appropriate precinct maps to election judges for each polling place. Effective 5-20-77.

TRAINING OF ELECTION OFFICIALS; DISABLED VOTER ASSISTANCE, Chapter 308, S.F. 266: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 204A. Requires the secretary of state to provide detailed written instructions to county auditors concerning the conduct of elections, of voter registration and voting procedures. Requires the secretary of state to conduct conferences for county auditors before each statewide primary election to give instruction on election law administration and the training of local election officials and election judges. Permits the secretary of state to formulate a training program for election judges. Requires county auditors to conduct in-service training programs for local election officials before each statewide primary election. Requires the county auditor to train all election judges who are appointed to serve at any election held in the county. Permits the county auditor to delegate election judge training duties to a municipality. Limits the privilege of handicapped persons to register and vote without leaving their vehicles to polling places which use paper ballots. Requires two election judges not of the same political party to assist any disabled voter who is at the entry of any polling place.

VOTER REGISTRATION, Chapter 395, H.F. 789: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Requires that the oath of a person vouching for the residence of a voter registering on election day be attached to the voter registration card until the voter's address is verified by the county auditor. Requires county auditors to supply election judges in each precinct with an accurate map or precinct finder to assist them in determining whether a voter attempting to register on election day is registering in the proper precinct. Eliminates "most recent prior residence" as an item of information required on a voter registration card. Includes date of birth as an item of information that may be supplied on the voter registration card. Requires less frequent up-dating of voter registration lists by county auditors. Requires that a final corrected list be available from the county auditor 15 days before each primary election and that the list be

brought up to date within 90 days after each general election. Permits public inspection of duplicate voter registration files subject to reasonable rules and regulations provided that such inspection does not disarrange the files. Prohibits the use of any information obtained from public inspection of registration files for purposes not related to elections, political activities or law enforcement. Requires the department of public safety to transmit a voter registration card and instructions for completing and returning it to any person who applies for a duplicate driver license due to a change of domicile or name. Requires that the department of public safety make voter registration cards available to all other applicants for driver licenses. Requires the secretary of state to provide the cards needed to implement this provision to the public safety department at no cost to the department. Permits persons who are vouching for the residence of a voter registering on election day to remain inside a polling place for that purpose. Requires that voters applying in person for an absentee ballot who must register to vote at the time of that application provide proof of residence in the same manner as persons registering on election day. Permits a voter to apply for an absentee ballot on election day if the voter becomes a resident or patient in a health care facility or hospital on the day before election (the health care facility or hospital must be located in the municipality to which the voter applies for the absentee ballot). Permits such a voter to request an absentee ballot application from judges engaged in delivering ballots in the facility or hospital or by telephone from the municipal clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. the day before election day. Requires that the absentee ballot application be delivered to such a voter by election judges. Requires municipal clerks to designate certain election judges to deliver absentee ballots to residents or patients in health care facilities or hospitals located in that municipality. Requires delivery of absentee ballots be made by two election judges of differing political parties. Requires the two judges to travel together in the same vehicle and to be present when a voter completes a voter certificate and casts the absentee ballot. Requires the judges to return the ballots on the same day that they were delivered to and cast by the absentee voter. Generally requires ballots to be delivered in the 10 days preceding the election. Provides exemption from general requirements that absentee ballots be mailed to absent voters and returned by mail to the county auditor or municipal clerk with respect to ballots delivered to residents and patients in health care facilities and hospitals. Appropriates \$12,000 to the secretary of state from the general fund for the purpose of providing voter registration cards to the department of public safety.

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES, Chapter 31, H.F. 558: Amends M.S. 84.87, Subd. 3. Permits a county board by resolution to authorize operation of snowmobiles on a county state aid highway if safe operation in the roadway ditch or bank is impossible. Effective 8-1-77.

EMERGENCY FOREST FIRE FIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 36, S.F. 1072: See Appropriations.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 52, S.F. 72: Amends M.S. 84.163. Authorizes the conveyance of state-owned land known as Battle Point to Todd county. Effective 5-5-77.

USED MOTOR OIL RECYCLING, Chapter 68, S.F. 530: See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 74, H.F. 107: Authorizes the state to convey certain interests in sewer mains to the city of St. Cloud. Effective 5-11-77.

SHADE TREE DISEASE, Chapter 90, S.F. 32: Amends M.S. 18.023, 116.07, 275.50 and repeals 18.023, Subd. 6. Requires the commissioner of agriculture to amend rules to include reforestation, approved treatment methods, and priority designation areas. Requires municipalities to have a disease control program approved by the commissioner in order to receive any state grants. Expands the number of cities eligible for state grants for wood utilization or disposal systems. Limits grants to a municipality for sanitation to 45% of its approved costs. Limits grants to a municipality for reforestation to 50% of the cost or \$40 multiplied by the number of trees replaced (not to exceed the number of trees removed on public property the previous year). Authorizes reforestation grants to counties to include 90% of the first 50 trees planted on public property in non-urban towns. Allows quarterly advance grant payments or periodic cost reimbursement grants. Authorizes a municipality to provide subsidies for approved treatment or removal of diseased shade trees to nonprofit organizations, owners of residential property of five acres or less, and nonprofit cemeteries. Requires a municipality to deposit all revenue for shade tree disease control in a separate fund. Authorizes the commissioner to establish experimental sanitation and treatment programs and make grants for experimental purposes. Requires the commissioner to submit a report to the legislature before January 31 each year concerning approved disease control and experimental programs. Requires the pollution control agency to give highest priority to economic costs of transportation and disposal of diseased trees in the consideration of certain open burning permits. Authorizes a municipality to specially levy sanitation and reforestation costs outside existing levy limitations, terminating with the levy made in 1977, payable in 1978. Authorizes the commissioner to adopt emergency

rules and to employ three permanent employees. Appropriates \$27,525,000 to the commissioner of agriculture for the following purposes: \$21,650,000 for sanitation grants, \$4,400,000 for reforestation grants, \$550,000 for wood utilization and disposal grants, \$225,000 for public information, \$400,000 for experimental programs, and \$300,000 for administration. Limits metropolitan municipalities to 67% of the appropriations for sanitation, reforestation and wood utilization and disposal grants. Appropriates \$350,000 to the University of Minnesota for research, continuing education and training. Appropriates \$625,000 to the commissioner of natural resources for certain sanitation expenses. Effective 1-1-77.

MUZZLE LOADING FIREARMS, Chapter 93, H.F. 42: Amends M.S. 100.29. Clarifies the requirements for the transportation of muzzle-loading firearms.

ST. CROIX WILD RIVER STATE PARK, Chapter 109, H.F. 139: Clarifies the maximum size of St. Croix Wild River state park.

CONVICTIONS FOR BIG GAME VIOLATIONS, Chapter 110, H.F. 188: Amends M.S. 97.40 and 98.52. Defines conviction to include forfeiture of bail. Increases the penalty for certain convictions from a one-year to three-year ineligibility period to purchase a big game license. Effective 5-20-77.

TRANSFER OF DITCH FUNDS, Chapter 115, H.F. 525: Amends M.S. 106.471, Subd. 6. Authorizes the transfer by county boards and district courts of surplus ditch funds to watershed districts which take over the drainage system.

PUBLIC DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, Chapter 135, S.F. 498: Amends various sections of M.S. 106. Transfers the administration of judicial ditches to county boards. Increases the interest rate limitation on ditch lien statements, certain penalties and bonds from 6% to 7%. Authorizes the redetermination of benefits and benefited areas. Clarifies the maximum annual assessment levies for repairs and maintenance. Requires a ditch authority to require permanent grass planted under certain circumstances. Effective 5-20-77.

WATER RESOURCE HEARINGS, Chapter 162, S.F. 1166: Amends M.S. 105.44, 105.45, 105.461 and repeals 105.47. Requires hearings and judicial review concerning certain water resource permit applications to be conducted pursuant to the administrative procedures act. Clarifies hearing cost and establishes \$750 as the maximum hearing cost a permit applicant must pay. Authorizes an applicant to contest an order by the commissioner of natural resources to restore public waters or beds if there was no hearing on the application. Effective 5-20-77.

EXCHANGE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 166, S.F. 1423: Authorizes the exchange of certain state land bordering public waters in Polk county. Effective 5-20-77.

MUZZLE LOADING FIREARMS SEASON FOR DEER AND BEAR, Chapter 174, S.F. 760: Amends M.S. 100.27. Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to establish a season to take deer and bear between September 1 and December 31 in areas of public land which he designates. Effective 5-20-77.

CANOE AND BOATING ROUTES, Chapter 224, H.F. 445: Amends M.S. 85.32. Prohibits the commissioner of natural resources from acquiring any parcel of land greater than 20 acres along certain canoe and boating routes unless it will or should require a land survey or a larger parcel would be in the best interest of the state, in which case he can acquire land not to exceed 40 acres or obtain authorization from the executive council.

BEVERAGE CONTAINERS, Chapter 226, H.F. 524: Amends M.S. 325.248. Exempts noncarbonated beverages from the prohibition against the sale of beverages in metal containers with detachable parts. Effective 5-21-77.

EXCHANGE OF STATE LAND, Chapter 229, H.F. 691: Authorizes the exchange of certain public lands bordering on public waters in Lincoln county. Effective 5-21-77.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 233, H.F. 1038: Authorizes the conveyance of certain state lands in Houston county. Effective 5-21-77.

COMMERCIAL FISHING ON LAKE SUPERIOR, Chapter 240, H.F. 140: Amends M.S. 98.46 and 102.28. Imposes certain qualifications for a commercial fishing license on Lake Superior. Specifies the maximum amounts of gill net to be licensed on Lake Superior.

LEASE OF STATE LANDS FOR A NATURE INTERPRETATIVE CENTER, Chapter 245, H.F. 791: Authorizes the lease of certain state lands in Rice county to the city of Faribault for the purpose of establishing a nature interpretative center.

AGRICULTURAL LEASES OF STATE LANDS WITHIN STATE PARKS, Chapter 249, S.F. 288: Authorizes cooperative sharecrop farming leases on state-owned agricultural land with state parks to provide needed park services if the leased use would not conflict with normal park uses.

FEEDLOT POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT CREDIT, Chapter 250, S.F. 506: See Taxation.

TRAPPING OF GREAT HORNED OWLS, Chapter 252, S.F. 558: Amends M.S. 100.29. Authorizes the taking of great horned owls between April 1 and October 15 by a padded jaw, slip ring trap by a person who is a licensed private game farm operator who possesses a federal permit to take this bird, provided that uninjured birds must be released live and injured birds must receive veterinary treatment. Effective 5-26-77.

FISHING LICENSE EXEMPTIONS, Chapter 267, S.F. 1362: Exempts certain former railroad and postal employees from the requirements of obtaining a fishing license.



NONRETURNABLE, NONREFILLABLE PLASTIC MILK CONTAINERS, Chapter 268, H.F. 45: Prohibits the retail sale of milk in a nonreturnable, non-refillable rigid or semi-rigid container at least 50% of which is plastic. Effective 7-1-78 (as amended by Laws 1977, Ch. 455, Sec. 96).

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 290, H.F. 1107: Authorizes the sale of certain state land in Itasca county. Effective 5-27-77.

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION, Chapter 304, S.F. 90: Amends various sections of M.S. 40 and repeals M.S. 40.005 and 40.07, Subd. 13. Adds the commissioner of natural resources as an ex-officio member of the state soil and water conservation board. Authorizes the state board and local districts to cooperate in the establishment of a cost-sharing contract program with landowners for erosion control and water quality improvement projects. Clarifies the powers and duties of the state board and local districts. Adds a temporary member to the state board. Effective 5-28-77.

GAME AND FISH, Chapter 310, S.F. 381: Amends various sections of M.S. 97, 98, 100, 101 and Laws 1961, Ch. 66, Sec. 1. Repeals M.S. 348.071. Changes the duties of the commissioner of natural resources concerning the removal of beaver. Authorizes seasons for taking bobcat, fisher, fox and wild turkey. Requires the tagging of fisher when taken. Includes the agent's fees within certain license fees. Requires the commissioner to issue a sportsman license consisting of small game and angling licenses to a resident for \$9 annually or for \$12 if it includes an angling license for his spouse. Extends the season and eliminates the annual limit for taking beaver. Changes the permissible time for taking trout on opening day from 10 a.m. to one hour before sunrise. Prohibits the taking of pheasants between sunset and 9 a.m. Extends the duration of the \$2 surcharge on small game licenses. Beaver removal and trout season effective 5-28-77. Agent's fee inclusion effective 3-1-78. All other provisions effective 8-1-77.

MIGRATORY WATERFOWL STAMP, Chapter 317, S.F. 597: Amends various sections of M.S. 97 and 98. Requires any person over 18 but under 65 years old to possess a state migratory waterfowl stamp while hunting migratory waterfowl. Establishes a \$3 fee for the stamp. Specifies the uses for the amount of revenue (\$400,000) expected to be raised by the sale of stamps. Appropriates \$400,000 for fiscal year 1978 and \$400,000 for fiscal year 1979. Effective 5-28-77.

OFFICIAL STATE GRAIN, Chapter 348, H.F. 1421: Designates wild rice as the official state grain and authorizes the display of a photograph of wild rice in the office of the secretary of state.

ISLANDS OF PEACE PARK, Chapter 352, H.F. 15: Appropriates \$150,000 to the state planning director for the development of recreational facilities for handicapped persons at Islands of Peace Park in the city of Fridley.

HISTORIC SITES, Chapter 372, H.F. 351: Amends M.S. 138.025. Authorizes the Minnesota historical society to administer and control certain historical sites within Forestville and Itasca state parks.

CHLOROFLUOROCARBON PROPELLANTS, Chapter 373, H.F. 398: Prohibits the sale of any pressurized container which contains certain chlorofluorocarbon compounds after 7-1-79, with the exception of certain medical, refrigeration, and electronic products. Prohibits the wholesale sale of any pressurized container using chlorofluorocarbon propellants unless the container prominently displays the specified warning on the front panel. Effective 6-3-77.

ENERGY AND HOUSING, Chapter 381, H.F. 522: Amends and repeals various statutes. Extends the building code statewide. Requires the commissioner of administration to oversee enforcement of the code. Provides for fees to be charged for code enforcement. Amends procedures for rule-making regarding the building code. Requires building code inspectors to inspect all mobile home installations. Requires legislative report on financing and enforcement of the code.

Extends the expiration date of the energy agency from 12-31-79 to 6-30-83. Expands the definition of "large energy facility". Requires a coal use impact study. Bans the use of outdoor display lighting beginning 7-1-78. Establishes minimum energy efficiency ratios for new room air conditioners. Bans the use of pilot lights on certain appliances. Requires all public buildings to comply with state illumination standards where economically feasible. Prohibits the active heating of commercial parking facilities for three or more vehicles constructed after 1-1-78. Requires the promulgation of minimum energy efficiency standards for existing residential buildings. Requires separate metering in all residential buildings constructed after 1-1-78. Provides for the development of an interdisciplinary curriculum in energy by the department of education. Requires the directors of the energy agency and the housing finance agency to develop pamphlets and media messages on state energy conservation and housing programs. Provides for the creation of a comprehensive legislative proposal dealing with the legal, institutional, and financial issues surrounding solar energy use in Minnesota. Provides funds to the University of Minnesota for a research and demonstration project on an alcohol supplement to diesel fuel. Appropriates funds. Effective 6-3-77, except Sec. 2, Subd. 2, which is effective 7-1-78.

TACONITE TAILINGS DISPOSAL, Chapter 393, H.F. 756: Authorizes the sale of certain state-owned and tax-forfeited lands before 2-1-78, within a site which the state and Reserve Mining Company agree is suitable for disposal of taconite tailings. Effective 6-3-77.

RADIOACTIVE WASTE, Chapter 416, H.F. 1215: Prohibits the construction or operation of a facility in Minnesota where radioactive waste is disposed of by burial in soil or permanently stored without express authorization of the legislature. Prohibits the transportation of radioactive wastes

into the state for purposes of disposal in soil or permanent storage in the state unless authorized by the legislature. Radioactive wastes transported into the state for temporary storage in accordance with applicable laws for up to 12 months pending transportation out of the state are exempt from the latter prohibition. Violation of either prohibition is a gross misdemeanor. Effective 6-3-77.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL GRANTS, Chapter 418, H.F. 1252: Amends M.S. 116.16 and 116.18. Prohibits any municipality from using certain state grants for additional construction of a wastewater treatment facility after meeting state water quality standards. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$40 million of state water pollution control bonds. Decreases the amount and changes the criteria of state grants a municipality may receive if it would qualify for a federal grant but desires to initiate construction of a project without a federal grant.

ACQUISITION AND BETTERMENT OF OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES, Chapter 421, H.F. 1300: Amends various sections of M.S. 85 and 473. Appropriates and authorizes the sale of bonds for \$61.5 million for the land acquisition and improvement of outdoor recreation facilities, including \$5.1 million for grants for local parks, trails and athletic courts; \$25.3 million for acquisition of state parks, recreation areas, trails, forests, fishing management lands, wildlife management areas, wild, scenic and recreational rivers, and scientific and natural areas; \$3.8 million for local and state bicycle trails; and \$27.3 million for parks and trails within the metropolitan area.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 422, H.F. 1457: Authorizes the conveyance of certain state-owned land in Aitkin county. Effective 6-3-77.

STATE PARKS, Chapter 431, S.F. 274: Amends Laws 1945, Ch. 484, Sec. 10. Authorizes the addition of lands to McCarthy Beach, Lake Bemidji, Lake Bronson, Lake Carlos and Interstate state parks. Authorizes the deletion of lands within the boundaries of Lake Bronson, Cross River and Big Stone state parks. Effective 6-3-77.

POWER PLANT SITING AND TRANSMISSION LINE ROUTING, Chapter 439, S.F. 896: Amends various sections of M.S. 116C and repeals M.S. 116C.55, Subd. 1, and 116C.56. Eliminates the high voltage transmission line corridor designation process. Requires the environmental quality board (EQB) to attempt to reach agreement with affected states on the entry and exit points if a route is proposed in two or more states. Requires certain utilities to update their advance forecasts each year. Requires EQB to adopt an inventory of large electric power generating plant study areas by 1-1-79. Clarifies the procedures and criteria for designation of routes and sites, for emergency certification of routes and sites, and exemption of certain routes. Requires certain survey points identified in the construction of a route to be recorded. Requires route and site designation or exemption proceedings to be conducted by a hearing examiner from the office of hearing examiners pursuant to Chapter 15. Changes the

membership composition of advisory committees appointed to evaluate sites or routes. Requires EQB to designate one staff person to assist interested citizens in participating in site or route proceedings. Authorizes EQB to appoint a scientific advisory committee. Authorizes the owners of land to be acquired for a site or route to elect to receive the purchase price or condemnation award in up to 10 annual installments, with 8% interest on the unpaid balance. Authorizes the owners of certain types of land to be acquired for a route or site to require the utility to condemn any amount of contiguous land which he owns. Requires a utility to pay an annual fee to owners of certain lands crossed by a high voltage transmission line. Clarifies the criteria and procedures for revocation or suspension of a site certificate or construction permit. Requires EQB and the office of hearing examiners to adopt emergency and permanent rules. Specifies the amount of a route application fee. Eliminates the duty of certain utilities to annually submit a five-year facility development plan. Mandatory annual payment provision effective 1-1-78. All other provisions effective 6-3-77.

WATER RESOURCES, Chapter 446, H.F. 1236: Amends various sections of M.S. 105 and 156A. Creates a water planning board composed of a chairman appointed by the governor, the commissioner of natural resources, the commissioner of health, the director of the pollution control agency, the commissioner of agriculture, the director of the energy agency and the chairman of the state soil and water conservation board. Specifies the duties of the water planning board. Clarifies procedures for processing certain water permits. Establishes emergency restrictions on the use of water for irrigation and other uses. Requires municipal water supply authorities to conserve water during shortages. Appropriates \$132,000 to the water planning board, \$500,000 to the commissioner of natural resources, \$270,000 to the Minnesota geological survey, \$184,000 to the state soil and water conservation board and \$155,000 to the department of health. Effective 6-3-77.

## FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

SAVINGS BANKS, Chapter 5, S.F. 200: Amends various sections of M.S. 50. Authorizes mutual savings banks to make loans in excess of \$100,000 if secured by a first mortgage on property owned by the mortgagor or leased by the mortgagor for at least a 10-year term so long as the principal amount of the loan does not exceed 95% of the appraised value of the mortgaged property or leasehold interest, without requiring that repayment be made in equal installments; increases the maximum mobile home loan from \$10,000 to \$25,000; changes the maximum interest rate for mobile home loans from 6% add-on interest to 12% simple interest and permits savings banks to purchase notes, bonds and retail installment sales contracts secured by mobile home mortgages; extends the trust powers of savings banks permitting them to act as trustees of individual retirement accounts authorized by the employee retirement income security act of 1974.

CREDIT UNION MERGERS, Chapter 16, S.F. 377: Amends M.S. 52.203. Clarifies that upon merger of credit unions, persons who would have been eligible for membership in the credit union which is merged will have all membership rights in the successor credit union. Effective 6-1-77.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, REGULATING PUBLIC OFFICER'S INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS, Chapter 55, S.F. 170: See Local Government.

CONTRACTS BETWEEN CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 71, S.F. 716: Amends M.S. 52.04. Authorizes credit unions to contract with one another to furnish services credit unions are authorized to perform, subject to regulation and examination by the commissioner of banks. Effective 5-7-77.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES IN CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 84, S.F. 836: Amends M.S. 52.04 and 55.06. Authorizes credit unions to rent safe deposit boxes to their members if they obtain adequate insurance or bonding coverage for losses, without compliance with the licensing and bonding requirements of M.S. 55. Effective 5-12-77.

SECOND MORTGAGES IN FEDERAL DISASTER AREAS, Chapter 103, H.F. 531: Amends M.S. 48.19. Permits banks and trust companies to make loans secured by mortgages other than first liens on farm real estate where the loan is made to a farmer who resides in a county declared a federal disaster area because of weather conditions at the time the loan contract is signed. Effective 5-19-77.

NEGOTIABLE ORDER OF WITHDRAWAL ACCOUNTS IN SAVINGS BANKS, Chapter 104, H.F. 787: Amends M.S. 50 by adding a section. Permits savings banks to establish negotiable order of withdrawal accounts upon which they may or may not pay interest or dividends, so long as withdrawals are subject to the right of the savings bank to require a 30-day prior notice of withdrawal, whether or not notice is regularly required; requires savings banks to keep a reserve of at least 7% of non-interest or non-dividend bearing negotiable order withdrawal accounts in cash, cash items in process of collection, and

demand funds in other banks, with no more than 30% in direct obligations of U.S. treasury maturing within one year from the date obligations are first considered as part of the bank's reserve; provides a \$50-per-day fine for failure to meet reserve requirements; permits change of reserve requirements by commissioner of banks to not less than 7% nor more than required of banks in the federal reserve system.

INVESTMENT OF DEBT SERVICE FUNDS, Chapter 127, S.F. 78: See Local Government.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY, Chapter 137, S.F. 616: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO PROVISIONS GOVERNING BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES AND SAVINGS BANKS, Chapter 272, H.F. 257: Amends various sections of M.S. 46, 48 and 300. Gives the commissioner of banks general rulemaking authority. Removes the \$500 maximum on fees chargeable to financial institutions for special investigations conducted by the commissioner of banks. Permits banking division employees and their households to maintain certain accounts in financial institutions to the extent insured by FDIC. Includes motor vehicle sales finance companies, debt prorating agencies, insurance premium finance companies and other financial institutions administered by the commissioner of banks among those entities required to pay proportionate shares of the cost of maintaining the banking division. Imposes a \$25 fee on financial institutions applying for approval of changes in their corporate documents or licenses. Requires capital and surplus of every state bank organized to be at least \$250,000; permits capital and surplus to be in the form of authorized securities deposited in an approved custodial bank. Requires that a copy of the annual audit report of a bank be sent to the commissioner of banks. Requires that a state bank have capital and surplus of at least \$500,000 before approval of an application for trust authority; requires a \$250 filing fee for application for trust authority. Requires minimum capital and surplus of at least \$500,000 for a state bank organized with trust authority and requires minimum capital and surplus of \$500,000 for trust companies. Increases from \$100,000 to \$125,000 the minimum deposits of authorized securities after reduction of capital stock with the approval of the commissioner of banks. Increases from \$50,000 to \$500,000 the minimum capital required of trust companies before being able to exercise the powers and privileges of state banks not already permitted of trust companies. Requires that the majority of the members of the board of directors of all financial corporations be Minnesota residents; permits the commissioner of banks to increase the number of members of the board of directors of any financial corporation to a maximum of five members; requires that all trustees of savings banks be Minnesota residents, rather than residents of the county where the savings bank is located. Various effective dates from 7-1-77 to 1-1-79.

BUSINESS AND AGRICULTURAL LOANS, Chapter 303, S.F. 49: Amends M.S. 334.011. Permits any person to charge interest on business or agricultural loans of up to 4-1/2% in excess of the discount rate on 90-day commercial

paper in effect at the local federal reserve bank; defines "business" to include enterprises carried on for either active or passive investment or profit. Effective 5-27-77.

AUTHORITY OF STATE-CHARTERED CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 315, S.F. 572:  
Amends M.S. 52.04. Permits the commissioner of banks to adopt rules authorizing state-chartered credit unions to engage in the same activities as federally chartered credit unions were permitted to engage in as of 6-1-77. Effective 5-28-77.

CONVENTIONAL MORTGAGE LOANS, Chapter 350, H.F. 500: Amends various sections of M.S. 47, 48 and 334. Specifically authorizes supervised banking institutions and lenders approved by the administrator of the farmers home administration to make farmers home administration insured or guaranteed loans; requires itemization of additional service charges for construction loans and prohibits collecting the additional 1% service charge permitted for construction loans if the lender does not perform the service or if the lender has already made the charge for the service; extends the definition of "conventional loan" to include all loans secured by mortgage upon residential property, except federally insured or guaranteed loans, contracts for deed or installment land contracts, loans made by credit unions, business and agricultural loans, and loans in excess of \$100,000; permits the charging of the developer's commitment fee as a separate permissible closing cost; permits any person to make a conventional loan and removes the provisions requiring that the conventional loan be eligible for purchase by the federal national mortgage association or the federal home loan mortgage corporation; extends the expiration of the floating interest rate provisions from 7-31-77 to 7-31-79; imposes certain obligations on the lender regarding readability of the promissory note and mortgage, furnishing copies of the documents to the borrower, and giving notice to the borrower of his rights upon default of the mortgage; removes the requirement of paying interest on escrow accounts for conventional loans where the original principal amount exceeds 80% of the lender's appraised value of the residential unit at the time the loan is made and as to loans insured or guaranteed by the administrator of the farmers home administration; increases from 3% to 4% per annum the interest rate on escrow accounts and removes from the commerce commission the discretion to increase the interest rate on escrow accounts; requires a mortgagee offering escrow accounts as an option to notify the mortgagor of his other options before 7-1-77 and at the time a new mortgage is made, the mortgagor's other options being to pay insurance and taxes on his own, open a passbook savings account, or elect a non-interest bearing escrow account serviced by the mortgagee at no charge; imposes a penalty for intentional violations of the conventional home loan provisions; requires lenders making more than five conventional loans in a calendar year to register with the banking division and requires that all such lenders report annually as to the number of conventional and other loans made, committed, or sold, and the dollar amount thereof. Prohibits more than half of the proceeds of installment loans from being used to finance the purchase of the borrower's primary

residence other than a mobile home. Removes mutual building association loans as an exception from coverage by the usury provisions. Extends the expiration date for provisions exempting from the usury provisions loans of \$100,000 or more, from 7-1-78 to 7-31-79. Escrow provisions effective 6-1-77; remainder effective 5-28-77.

DETACHED BANKING FACILITIES, Chapter 378, H.F. 451: Amends various sections of M.S. 47. Permits any number of structures or stationary mechanical devices serving as drive-in or walk-up banking facilities located within 150 feet of the main banking house. Permits up to two detached facilities (an office or stationary automated remote control teller facility or unmanned cash dispensing or receiving device serving as a drive-in or walk-up facility) so long as the detached facilities are located anywhere within the same municipality as the principal office of the bank, or within 5,000 feet of the principal office, or within 25 miles of the principal office if (a) the detached facility is in a municipality where no bank is located, (b) the detached facility is in a municipality with a population greater than 10,000, or (c) the detached facility is in a municipality with a population of 10,000 or less and all the banks in the municipality have consented to the facility. Extends the functions of the detached facility to permit opening deposit accounts, issuing drafts, money orders and traveler's checks and accepting loan applications. Increases from \$50 to \$500 the fee for application for a detached facility and requires the applicant to bear all actual costs for approving or disapproving the application. Establishes certain standards for approving or disapproving applications for detached facilities, including meeting current industry standards of capital adequacy, management quality, and asset condition, improving the quality or increasing the availability of banking services in the community to be served, and avoiding undue adverse effect upon the solvency of existing financial institutions. Permits banks having one detached facility in operation prior to 5-1-71 to have two additional detached facilities.

CREDIT LIFE AND CREDIT ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 382, H.F. 530: See Insurance.

HOUSING BILL, Chapter 401, H.F. 875: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MEDICAL STUDENT LOANS, Chapter 413, H.F. 1060: See Higher Education.



GENERAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

NAVAL MILITIA, Chapter 11, H.F. 260: Amends various sections of M.S. 190 to 193 and repeals Ch. 194. Repeals provisions for the naval militia and deletes other references to the naval militia.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, HIS TECHNICAL STAFF, AND VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS, Chapter 29, H.F. 262: Amends M.S. 196.02 and 197.601. Removes the 5-year prior residency requirement for the commissioner of veterans affairs, his technical staff, and veterans service officers, requiring only current residence in the state of Minnesota.

VETERANS PREFERENCE AND REDEFINITION OF "VETERAN" FOR OTHER PURPOSES, Chapter 40, H.F. 301: Amends M.S. 43.30 and 197.447. Imposes a deadline of 12-31-76 as the latest entry into military service to become eligible for the veterans preference for the state civil service; redefines "veteran" as any U.S. citizen who has been separated under honorable conditions from any branch of the armed forces after 181 consecutive days of active duty or because of a disability incurred while serving on active duty, the definition to apply to provisions regarding qualifications for the commissioner of veterans affairs and his technical staff, licenses for peddling goods and merchandise, qualifications of veterans service officers, and purchase of tax-forfeited land for agricultural development.

REIMBURSEMENT OF LEGAL NEWSPAPERS FOR PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, Chapter 42, H.F. 489: Amends M.S. 3.22. Requires the publisher of newspapers publishing proposed constitutional amendments to include in the filed affidavit showing qualification and legality of the newspaper a verification of legal publication of amendments, the affidavit to be filed no later than the first day of January following an election year.

USED MOTOR OIL RECYCLING, Chapter 68, S.F. 530: Requires retail sellers of motor oil to either post a notice indicating the nearest location or a location within ten miles where used motor oil may be returned for recycling, or provide a collection tank at the point of sale for collecting used motor oil; violation of the act constitutes a petty misdemeanor. Effective 1-1-78.

PUBLIC DANCES, Chapter 132, S.F. 319: Amends M.S. 624.42. Removes prohibition against public dances at locations having direct or indirect communication with rooms where intoxicating liquor is sold, given away, or used.

VETERANS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION REPRESENTATIVES, Chapter 151, S.F. 930: See Labor-Management Relations.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, Chapter 205, S.F. 922: Amends M.S. 168.021. Prohibits all persons other than the physically handicapped from parking in parking spaces reserved for the physically handicapped. Requires the motor vehicle of a physically handicapped person to display a certificate issued by the department of public safety. Requires the designation of handicapped parking spaces by posted signs using the international symbol of access in white on blue. Provides a \$10 fine for persons violating the handicapped parking provisions. Provides for the issuance of special license plates for the physically handicapped on motor vehicles with a gross weight of 9,000 pounds or less only.

EXEMPTION FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS FROM WATER WELL CONTRACTOR LICENSING PROVISIONS, Chapter 213, S.F. 1298: Amends M.S. 156A.03. Permits registered professional engineers to drill test boring or to install piezometer wells without a water well contractor license.

FINANCING ARMORY CONSTRUCTION, Chapter 219, H.F. 193: Amends various sections of M.S. 193. Removes all cost limitations for construction of armories. Increases the maximum interest rate on bonds issued to finance construction of new armories from 5% to 7% per annum.

COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS GUARDIAN, Chapter 241, H.F. 261: Amends M.S. 196 by adding a section. Permits the commissioner of veterans affairs to act as a guardian for minors or incompetents without filing a bond and permits the commissioner to come into funds for persons under his guardianship, provided he keeps complete and accurate account of each transaction regarding funds of persons under his guardianship.

DISTRIBUTION OF STATE PUBLICATIONS TO COUNTY LIBRARIES, Chapter 323, S.F. 783: Amends M.S. 15.051, 15.047, and 648.39. Provides for distribution of free copies of the State Register, Manual of State Rules, and the Minnesota Statutes and supplements thereto, to each county library, except in counties containing cities of the first class, or if no county library, to a public library designated by the county board. Appropriates \$16,000 to the revisor of statutes for the biennium ending 6-30-79 to accomplish this. Effective 7-1-77.

DEVELOPMENT REGION 4 VETERANS FACILITY, Chapter 329, S.F. 1236: Requires the commissioner of veterans affairs to study the need for and location for a veterans residential facility in development region 4 and report to the legislature before 1-1-78.

MINNESOTA IDENTIFICATION CARDS, Chapter 361, H.F. 176: Amends M.S. 171.07 and 340.039. Changes the name of the nonqualification certificate to "Minnesota identification card"; makes the identification card available to non-drivers, regardless of age; makes the identification card available to mentally retarded persons at a reduced fee. Effective 8-2-77.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

STATE EMPLOYMENT DURING ENERGY EMERGENCY, Chapter 1, S.F. 110: Empowers the governor from 1-18-77 to 4-1-77 to alter state employee working hours in order to conserve heat energy in state office buildings. Effective 1-27-77 and expires 4-2-77.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, HIS TECHNICAL STAFF, AND VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS, Chapter 29, H.F. 262:  
See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

SALARIES OF UNCLASSIFIED STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, Chapter 35, S.F. 483: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Raises base salaries for constitutional officers, judges, legislators, and certain unclassified employees of the executive branch. Establishes deputy commissioner salaries at 90% of their commissioner's salary. Defines a deputy's salary, with certain exceptions, as the upper limit for other employees in a department. Limits the maximum salary of an employee of a political subdivision of the state to the salary of the commissioner of finance. (Note: see Ch. 452.) Modifies the system for granting achievement awards to department commissioners and deputies. Codifies salaries of metropolitan agency officers. Reduces pension benefit levels for legislators commencing with the 1979 legislative session. Provides for state take-over of county judges' salaries. Prohibits the creation of new county judgeships without prior legislative authorization. Appropriates \$15.7 million to the three branches of state government to pay the salary increases and costs associated with the state take-over of county judges' salaries. Repeals various inconsistent provisions. Effective 4-23-77 in respect to the limitation on the creation of new county judgeships; and effective 7-1-77 for the remainder of the act.

MUNICIPAL BOARD PER DIEM, Chapter 57, S.F. 345: Amends M.S. 414.01, Subd. 6a. Establishes per diem for municipal board members at \$50. Permits reimbursement for expenses. Provides that the per diem shall be retroactive to 7-1-76. Effective 5-6-77.

STATE PROCUREMENT FROM SHELTERED WORKSHOPS, Chapter 94, H.F. 54: Amends M.S. 16.281 and Laws 1975, Ch. 171. Extends the range of products which the state may procure from sheltered workshop and work activity programs without using normal procurement methods. Provides for a system for determination of the fair market price of items to be procured. Removes expiration date of this program. Effective 5-19-77.

IMPROVING ACCESS TO STATE SERVICES, Chapter 136, S.F. 499: Requires the commissioner of administration to prepare a report proposing specific methods for improving public access to state offices, services and facilities. Requires the commissioner, as part of the study, to evaluate a one-stop licensing center in the Twin Cities area. Prescribes criteria to be used in evaluating proposed improvements. Requires the report to be submitted by 11-15-77. Effective 5-20-77.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT MOTOR VEHICLE USE, Chapter 146, S.F. 903:

Amends M.S. 16.753, Subd. 2. Permits crime bureau investigators employed by the department of public safety to be reimbursed for certain use of private automobiles. Effective 5-20-77.

FIREMEN'S SURVIVORS' BENEFITS; CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, Chapter 164,

S.F. 1369: Amends various session laws. Reduces from three years to one year the minimum period of marriage in order to qualify for survivor benefits. Effective upon approval by respective city councils.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE STRUCTURE, Chapter 172, H.F. 1364: Amends

M.S. 84.025, 268.12 and various sections in M.S. Ch. 8. Removes requirements that deputy and assistant attorneys general be assigned to specific state departments. Gives the attorney general discretion as to where to assign the members of his staff. Repeals inconsistent provisions. Effective 7-1-77.

INVESTMENT BOARD ADVISORY COUNCIL, Chapter 209, S.F. 1064: Amends

M.S. Ch. 11. Creates an investment advisory council consisting of 11 members to advise the state board of investment. Imposes a standard of care on members of the board. Prohibits a member of an advisory council from acting on a matter in which he has an economic conflict of interest. Requires an annual report by the board of investment on the activities of the board, its advisory council, and its employees. Effective 5-20-77.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION; ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, Chapter 253, S.F. 603:

Amends M.S. 216.25 and Ch. 216 by adding a section. Limits judicial review of commission proceedings to the hearing record. Permits the commission to stay certain of its orders pending court appeal. Permits the commission to appeal adverse district court decisions to the supreme court. Permits a party to appeal the denial of a hearing to district court. Effective 5-26-77.

CRIME CONTROL PLANNING BOARD, Chapter 260, S.F. 1077: Creates a state crime control planning board to supersede the governor's commission on crime prevention and control. Designates the board as the state planning agency for purposes of various federal crime control acts. Requires the board to adopt a statewide comprehensive plan for the improvement of law enforcement and criminal justice. Requires legislative review and comment prior to the adoption of the statewide plan. Designates the board as the distributor of federal crime control planning monies. Prescribes additional duties and powers. Provides for the establishment of crime control planning regions throughout the state and regional advisory councils within each region. Prescribes powers and duties for the regional councils. Effective 8-1-77.

MINNESOTA HUMANE SOCIETY, Chapter 264, S.F. 1293: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 343. Restructures the Minnesota humane society by establishing a board appointed by the governor. Recodifies statutory provisions relating to the board. Provides for a transition to the new structure. Repeals inconsistent or outdated provisions. Effective 7-1-77.

REVISOR OF STATUTES, Chapter 292, H.F. 1155: Amends M.S. 482.09 and 482.12. Specifies the duties of the revisor in respect to the enrollment and engrossment of bills. Insures that drafting requests received by the revisor are not subject to subpoena, search warrant or other disclosure. Effective 5-27-77.

COMMISSIONER SERVING AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR, Chapter 305, S.F. 109: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Provides that the heads of all major state agencies shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority for terms coterminous with the term of the governor. Establishes a mechanism for the appointment of acting and temporary department heads. Provides that an acting, temporary or deputy head of an agency shall have all the powers of the agency head after proper delegation or appointment. Redefines powers and duties of agency heads and their deputies. Limits the number of deputy heads of an agency. Restricts the ability of former agency heads or deputy heads to appear before their former agencies representing private interest. Defines the form and limits the content of executive orders of the governor. Limits the ability of the commissioner of administration and the governor to reorganize state government through use of reorganization orders. Abolishes the board of health and designates the commissioner of health as the head of the department. Creates a state health advisory council to advise the commissioner of education. Provides for the salary of the chairman of the metropolitan sports facilities commission. Repeals inconsistent provisions. Effective 5-28-77.

911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE, Chapter 311, S.F. 448: Requires the institution of a 911 emergency telephone system within the metropolitan area by 1982. Requires the implementation of the system in remaining areas of the state by 1986. Provides for the establishment of equipment and service standards for the systems. Designates the metropolitan council as the coordinating unit for the systems. Provides for the funding of costs. Appropriates to the department of administration \$272,000 for the biennium to cover certain start-up and recurring costs. Effective 8-1-77.

SEAWAY PORT AUTHORITY, Chapter 324, S.F. 826: Amends M.S. 458.18. Permits the Duluth port authority to hire a certified public accountant to audit its books. Permits the state auditor to rely upon this outside audit rather than completing his own audit of the port authority. Effective 5-28-77.

SEMI-STATE ACTIVITIES, Chapter 332, S.F. 1489: Appropriates \$15,726,683 to various organizations for semi-state activities. Directs the governor to review the functions of several semi-state agencies in order to determine whether they should be supported by state money in the second year of the biennium, including the Great Lakes commission, Minnesota-Wisconsin boundary area commission, humane society, county attorneys council and southern Minnesota rivers basin board. Money is appropriated to the general contingent account in the event that the governor determines that state support should continue. Requires the Minnesota historical society to formulate a

plan for identification of significant historic sites and to present it to the legislature by 1-1-79. Provides that cost of caring for mistreated animals will be borne by the counties rather than by the complaining party or by the humane society. Effective 7-1-77.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT; GRIEVANCE RESOLUTIONS, Chapter 340, H.F. 902: Amends M.S. 116A.17, Subd. 7. Permits the commissioner of finance to pay monies to a state employee pursuant to the resolution of a grievance with his employer. Effective 5-28-77.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES; UNCONTESTED CASES, Chapter 346, H.F. 1223: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Permits the following agencies to issue orders or take other official action in certain cases without holding a formal hearing unless a hearing demand is received: ethical practices board, department of agriculture, department of commerce, department of health, board of cosmetology, and public service commission. Prescribes procedures for giving notice to interested persons or parties. Repeals inconsistent provision. Effective in respect to affected agency actions on and after 7-1-77.

PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT, Chapter 364, H.F. 242: See Commerce and Economic Development.

ZOOLOGICAL BOARD, Chapter 368, H.F. 315: Amends M.S. 85A.01, Subd. 1. Provides for the appointment of a Dakota county resident as an additional, nonvoting member of the board.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, Chapter 379, H.F. 456: Amends M.S. 16.07. Permits the acquisition of non-uniform motor vehicles for use by investigative and undercover agents of the department. Effective 6-28-77.

STATE EMPLOYEES; PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 383, H.F. 536: Amends M.S. 43.19. Prohibits the denial of a promotion to a state employee solely because of the location of his current work station or his future work station if promoted.

OFFICE OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES, Chapter 389, H.F. 613: Creates in the office of the governor the office of volunteer services to replace a similar governor's office created by executive order. Empowers the director of the office to coordinate the solicitation and delivery of volunteer services throughout the state. Creates a 21-member advisory committee. Appropriates \$200,000 to the director for the biennium. Effective 7-1-77.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE CHANGES, Chapter 410, H.F. 1040: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Deletes obsolete provisions and changes and clarifies cross-references relating to the department of finance. Authorizes commissioner of finance to transfer money to revolving funds in certain cases. Transfers the air travel account from the commissioner of administration to the commissioner of finance. Codifies certain provisions formerly in session laws. Effective 7-1-77.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, Chapter 414, H.F. 1102: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Makes miscellaneous amendments to statutes governing departmental operations. Requires state agencies to contribute to the cost of publishing the manual of state agency rules. Requires the establishment of a regional service center in economic development region 3. Modifies standards and procedures relating to parking on state property, state agency printing, the acquisition and disposal of electronic data processing equipment, and the acquisition of uniformly colored state cars. Effective 7-1-77.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BONDS, Chapter 420, H.F. 1283: See Commerce and Economic Development.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; DATA COMMUNICATIONS, Chapter 424, H.F. 1582: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 299C. Clarifies that the commissioner of public safety has primary responsibility in regard to the state criminal justice data communications network. Authorizes the interconnection of the network with similar networks of other states, the federal government, and Canada. Provides for municipalities to link up with the state network. Repeals inconsistent provision. Effective 7-1-77.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY, Chapter 430, S.F. 202: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Creates a department of economic security to supersede and replace the departments of employment services and vocational rehabilitation. Permits the addition of other related functions to the jurisdiction of the department. Requires recommendations to the legislature on necessary statutory revisions. Transfers powers and duties of the transferor departments to the new department. Requires cooperation and assistance with the department of public welfare and other related existing agencies. Creates a joint legislative committee to review the management and structure plans for the department. Effective as to the appointment of the commissioner of economic security on 7-1-77; provides for effectiveness of the remainder of the act upon the organization of the department.

PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING, Chapter 433, S.F. 411: Amends M.S. 214.01 and various sections of M.S. Ch. 626. Creates the Minnesota board of peace officer standards and training to supersede the Minnesota peace officer training board. Requires the board to adopt rules respecting the certification of peace officer training schools, training programs, and the licensure of peace officers. Continues the exemption for cities under 1,000 population. Requires the board to provide training services and to coordinate training services provided by post secondary educational institutions. Appropriates \$90,000 to the board for the biennium and \$115,000 to the bureau of criminal apprehension for training purposes for the biennium. Repeals inconsistent provisions. Effective 7-1-77.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, Chapter 443, S.F. 1172: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 15. Adds the capitol area architectural and planning board to the list of agencies covered by the APA. Clarifies that the APA is not in

itself authority for an agency to promulgate rules. Permits expanded incorporation by reference in agency rules. Reduces certain time periods in the rule promulgation schedule. Eliminates the requirement of mandatory hearing transcripts in rule-making proceedings. Adds additional notice requirements. Reduces certain publication requirements and costs. Redefines emergency rules as "temporary rules" and extends from 150 to 180 days their maximum life. Tightens promulgation requirements for temporary rules. Expands ability of state agencies to appeal adverse district court decisions to the supreme court. Provides for copies of the state register to be distributed to public libraries in the state. Extends subpoena powers to the chief hearing examiner. Revises court reporter system as maintained by the office of hearing examiners. Encourages metropolitan agencies to use the administrative procedure act. Requires the study of the applicability of the act to metropolitan agencies by appropriate standing committees of the legislature. Effective in respect to inclusion of the capitol area architectural and planning board on 7-1-78. Effective in respect to all other provisions on 6-3-77.

STATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS, Chapter 444, S.F. 1349: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Makes miscellaneous amendments to operational provisions of various boards and commissions. Prescribes that per diems and expenses for board members shall be paid from appropriations to the appropriate agencies. Amends uniform provisions for occupational licensing boards relating to employment classification of executive secretaries, joint promulgation of rules, and establishment of board fees. Abolishes the human rights board and replaces it with the human rights advisory committee. Extends a reporting date. Effective 7-1-77.

STATE DEPARTMENTS APPROPRIATION BILL, Chapter 455, S.F. 1467: See Appropriations.



## HEALTH AND WELFARE

SAFE DRINKING WATER, Chapter 66, S.F. 651: Amends M.S. 115.71 and 144.12. Permits the commissioner of health to regulate public drinking water supplies and to inspect these supplies. Effective 5-6-77.

RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL OF GUARDIANS, Chapter 153, S.F. 967: See Judiciary.

PLASTIC WELL CASINGS, Chapter 398, H.F. 823: Amends M.S. 156A. Allows the use of plastic casings in water wells subject to certain standards. Effective 6-3-77.

HEALTH, WELFARE, CORRECTIONS OMNIBUS APPROPRIATION, Chapter 453, S.F. 1416: See Appropriations.

### Health

DENTAL HEALTH, Chapter 419, H.F. 1276: Appropriates \$400,000 for dental health education programs. Effective 7-1-77.

HEALTH SCREENING OF PRESCHOOL CHILDREN, Chapter 437, S.F. 743: Requires school boards to provide voluntary health and developmental screening programs and referrals for preschool children. States certain minimum components of the screening program for each year of the biennium. Allows school boards to limit the number of services if they determine that it is not financially feasible to provide all components. Requires school boards to use existing volunteer programs. Provides for data collection. Requires state board of education and commissioner of health to provide guidelines and technical assistance to school boards, and to report on the results of the program to the legislature. Appropriates \$1,669,000.

### Insurance

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE POLICIES, Chapter 178, S.F. 96: See Insurance.

CONVERSION PRIVILEGES UNDER ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES UPON MARRIAGE DISSOLUTION, Chapter 186, S.F. 368: See Insurance.

SURPLUS REQUIREMENTS OF NON-PROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN CORPORATIONS, Chapter 261, S.F. 1087: See Insurance.

LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION, Chapter 273, H.F. 296: See Insurance.

CONVERSION RIGHTS ON TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE PLANS,  
Chapter 335, H.F. 297: See Insurance.

READABLE INSURANCE POLICIES, Chapter 345, H.F. 1201: See Insurance.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-PROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN CORPORATIONS,  
Chapter 405, H.F. 971: See Insurance.

HEALTH INSURANCE; CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 409, H.F. 1030:  
Amends various sections of M.S. 62A, 62D, and 62E. Requires establishment of minimum benefit to premium ratios for health insurance. Regulates conversion policies. Clarifies definitions in Ch. 62E. Changes requirements for offering of major medical coverage. Provides for coordination of benefits. Redefines benefits under a qualified plan. Delays actuarial determination of high health risk pool premium. Clarifies structure and operation of health insurance association. Provides for use of medical assistance fee schedule for catastrophic health insurance payments. Effective 6-3-77 except for section 1 (benefit to premium ratios) which is effective 7-1-78.

#### Nursing Homes and Hospitals

HOSPITAL LICENSURE, Chapter 25, H.F. 418: Amends M.S. 245.971. Exempts hospital based psychiatric and chemical dependency programs from licensure by the department of public welfare. Effective 4-16-77.

OUTPATIENT SURGI-CENTERS, Chapter 218, H.F. 166: Amends M.S. 144.50. Reinstates commissioner of health's authority to license and regulate surgi-centers. Reinstates prior rules. Effective 5-21-77.

PERSONAL MONTHLY ALLOWANCES, Chapter 271, H.F. 206: Amends M.S. 256B.35. Increases monthly personal needs allowance for nursing home residents from \$25 to \$30. Allows quarterly payments to supplemental aid recipients. Prohibits comingling of residents' funds with nursing home funds. Allows department of public welfare field audits to determine compliance. Regulates expenditures of allowances.

VINLAND NATIONAL CENTER, Chapter 283, H.F. 917: Appropriates \$200,000 to the department of public welfare for planning and construction of the Vinland national center to serve as a resource for health education, promotion, and recreation. Plans to be reviewed by chairmen of House appropriations and Senate finance. Certificate of need required. Effective 7-1-77.

NURSING HOMES, FEES, Chapter 309, S.F. 321: Amends M.S. 256B.48. Excludes certain residential homes from limitations imposed on admission fees and use of residents' assets. Effective 5-28-77.

NURSING HOME REGULATION AND REIMBURSEMENT, Chapter 326, S.F. 899:

Amends several sections of M.S. 144, 144A, and 256B. Allows issuance of correction orders to nursing homes which violate the patients bill of rights. Permits the commissioner of health to waive minimum nursing care hours for residents upon demonstration that less is necessary. Allows inspections and reinspections to occur simultaneously. Transfers authority in conjunction with the nursing assistants training program from the board of nursing to the commissioner of education. Delays the effective date of the nursing assistants training program. Requires examining and licensing boards to initiate proceedings to suspend or revoke licenses of licensees convicted of certain crimes. Requires the commissioner of public welfare to audit medicaid cost reports. Allows full depreciation for all governmentally owned nursing homes. Permits reimbursement of interest on capital investments if reasonableness of the interest is demonstrated. Modifies the investment allowance by deleting the appraisal method and substituting a 1% increase per year of continuous ownership. Grandfathers in lease arrangements entered into prior to the effective date of the 1976 nursing home act. Eliminates specific cost category limits on patient care categories of reimbursable expense. Allows reimbursement of increased nursing costs resulting from a correction order. Permits reimbursement of costs otherwise excluded where costs are directly related to patient care. Freezes differentials in rates charged medical assistance and non-medical assistance residents. Excludes certain residential homes from limitations imposed on admissions fees. Repeals inconsistent statute.

CLINICAL LABORATORIES, Chapter 406, H.F. 980: Amends M.S. 144.12.

Permits the commissioner of health to develop rules governing the operation of clinical laboratories. Restricts the effective date of these rules until the effective date of related federal laws. Establishes an automatic expiration date should the federal government cease to pay at least 45% of the program cost. Effective 6-3-77.

Personnel

LICENSURE OF CANADIAN PHYSICIANS, Chapter 7, S.F. 21: Amends M.S. 147.03.

Permits the state board of medical examiners to issue licenses without further examination to physicians qualified to practice by the licensure medical council of Canada. Effective 4-1-77.

GILLETTE HOSPITAL BOARD, Chapter 10, S.F. 250: Amends M.S. 250.05.

Specifies the commissioner of health as a member of the Gillette hospital board. Effective 12-31-78.

AMBULANCE SERVICES LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION, Chapter 37, H.F. 57:

Amends several sections of M.S. 144. Requires licenses for operation of various types of ambulance services. Sets certain standards. Requires the commissioner of health to conduct inspections. Limits renewal fees for certificates of emergency medical technicians to a maximum of \$2.

CHIROPRACTIC LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 193, S.F. 562: Amends M.S. 148.06 and 148.10. Expands certain examination requirements for chiropractic licensure. Provides for reciprocity of licensure. Grants the board of chiropractic examiners additional authority to revoke, suspend, condition, limit, restrict, qualify or refuse to grant licenses. Provides penalties.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING BUSINESSES, Chapter 256, S.F. 796: Amends M.S. 148.271; 148.281; and 319A.02. Allows unlicensed nursing practice in Christian Scientist nursing homes. Requires board of nursing registration of all professional nursing corporations in the state. Includes registered nursing in the definition of "professional services" in professional corporations act.

CONTRACTS FOR SPACES IN SCHOOLS OF OSTEOPATHY AND OPTOMETRY, Chapter 318, S.F. 615: See Higher Education.

FAMILY PRACTICE, Chapter 362, H.F. 180: Appropriates up to \$48,000 to the Mayo foundation for training graduate medical students in family practice. Effective 7-1-77.

MEDICAL RECORDS, Chapter 380, H.F. 462: See Judiciary.

MEDICAL STUDENT LOANS, Chapter 413, H.F. 1060: See Higher Education.

VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT, Chapter 427, S.F. 80: Amends M.S. 144.808. Requires commissioner of health to reimburse ambulance services operated by political subdivisions, nonprofit hospitals or nonprofit corporations for expenses of the training of volunteer attendants. Appropriates \$225,000 to the commissioner of health for reimbursement purposes. Effective 7-1-77.

#### Public Assistance

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, Chapter 185, S.F. 296: Amends M.S. 256B.04. Allows the department of public welfare to place limits on types, utilization and charge for services provided under medical assistance.

WELFARE FRAUD, Chapter 225, H.F. 461: See Criminal Justice.

UNIFORM RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ACT AMENDMENTS, Chapter 282, H.F. 916: See Judiciary.

WORK EQUITY PROGRAM, Chapter 301, H.F. 1498: Amends various sections of M.S. 256D. Creates a "work equity" program to provide mandatory employment to employable recipients of general assistance. Sets standards for work equity projects and wage rates for participants.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS-IN-AID, Chapter 384, H.F. 559: See Higher Education.

CENTRALIZED DISBURSEMENT, Chapter 400, H.F. 856: Amends M.S. 256.01. Allows the department of public welfare to establish a centralized disbursement system for the AFDC, emergency assistance and food stamps programs.

AFDC ELIGIBILITY, Chapter 412, H.F. 1054: Amends M.S. 256.73 and 256.79. Amends requirement that AFDC recipient be in a suitable home. Allows commissioner of public welfare to establish eligibility limits with respect to personal property. Makes supplemental security income recipients ineligible for AFDC unless permitted to be eligible by federal regulation. Changes determination of county of financial responsibility to county of resident at time of application. Requires recipients to report on income and provides for recovery of overpayments.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, Chapter 448, H.F. 1051: Amends various sections of M.S. 62E, 256, 256B and 256D. Provides for payment of certain nursing home expenses under state catastrophic health insurance program. Excludes dependent children's income in determining eligibility for catastrophic payments. Raises the real property limitation to \$15,000 for AFDC. Raises the real property limitation to \$25,000 for medical assistance and supplemental assistance and provides for raising the limit based on increases in property values. Excludes other real property from limitations if an attempt is being made to sell it. Allows the spouse of a person in a nursing home to retain a larger share of household income and still qualify for medical assistance. Allows contracting with nonprofit organizations for general assistance work programs. Appropriates \$8 million.

### Social Services

HUMAN SERVICES, Chapter 281, H.F. 914: Amends M.S. 260.311 and 402.02. Allows juvenile court to appoint probation officers to perform court services and human services boards to appoint persons to provide correctional services.

VICTIM CRISIS CENTERS, Chapter 314, S.F. 514: See Criminal Justice.

FOSTER BOARDING HOMES, Chapter 360, H.F. 167: Amends M.S. 245. Appropriates \$122,000 to commissioner of public welfare to purchase liability insurance to cover licensed foster boarding homes. Effective 7-1-77.

HUMAN SERVICES, Chapter 411, H.F. 1052: Amends various sections of M.S. 402. Changes the name of human services regional commissions to human services boards. Makes citizen membership on boards optional. Expands duties of boards. Provides for representation on advisory committees. Requires compliance with federal personnel standards. Provides for notification of intent to establish a human services board and awarding of planning and implementation grants by state planning officer.

Requires a report to the legislature by the state planning agency on human services activities. Provides a system for adoption of budgets by human services boards. Vests the state planning officer with authority over human services board development. Transfers certain funds. Effective 7-1-77.

BATTERED WOMEN, Chapter 428, S.F. 124: See Criminal Justice.

#### Aged and Handicapped

HANDICAPPED PARKING, Chapter 22, S.F. 43: Amends M.S. 169.345. Allows the issuance of handicapped parking certificates to temporarily handicapped people. Effective 4-16-77.

ACCESSIBILITY OF POLLING PLACES TO THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED, Chapter 88, S.F. 1208: See Elections.

USE OF COMMUTER VANS BY BLIND VENDING OPERATORS, Chapter 107, H.F. 903: Permits the use of state commuter vans by blind vending operators who are licensed by the commissioner of public welfare to operate in a building or property owned or rented exclusively by any state department.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, Chapter 205, S.F. 922: See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

GUIDE DOGS FOR DEAF PERSONS; DEDUCTIBILITY OF EXPENSES, Chapter 247, S.F. 223: See Taxation.

TRAINING OF ELECTION OFFICIALS; DISABLED VOTER ASSISTANCE, Chapter 308, S.F. 266: See Elections.

COST OF CARE IN STATE INSTITUTIONS, Chapter 331, S.F. 1334: Amends M.S. 246.51 and 252.27. Increases maximum charge to relatives of residents of state institutions and boarding care homes to \$125 per month. Establishes mandatory fee schedules based upon ability to pay for parents whose annual gross income is more than \$11,000. Effective 7-1-77.

DEVELOPMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS, Chapter 337, H.F. 319: Amends various sections of M.S. 123 and 252. Changes name of daytime activity centers to developmental achievement centers. Effective 9-1-77.

AGE DISCRIMINATION, Chapter 351, H.F. 6: See Labor-Management Relations.

ISLANDS OF PEACE PARK, Chapter 352, H.F. 15: See Environment and Natural Resources.

HOUSING BILL, Chapter 401, H.F. 875: See Commerce and Economic Development.

GUARDIANSHIPS, Chapter 415, H.F. 1113: See Judiciary.

Children

ADOPTION CONSENTS, Chapter 126, S.F. 69: See Judiciary.

VENUE IN CHILD ABUSE CASES, Chapter 212, S.F. 1291: See Judiciary.

UNIFORM RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ACT AMENDMENTS, Chapter 282, H.F. 916: See Judiciary.

VENUE IN CHILD NEGLECT CASES, Chapter 330, S.F. 1290: See Judiciary.

HEALTH SCREENING OF PRESCHOOL CHILDREN, Chapter 437, S.F. 743: See Health and Welfare, Health.

### HIGHER EDUCATION

REVISION BILL, Chapter 293, H.F. 1161: Amends various sections of M.S. 136. Corrects and eliminates certain obsolete provisions and text relating to state universities and community colleges.

CONTRACTS FOR SPACES IN SCHOOLS OF OSTEOPATHY AND OPTOMETRY, Chapter 318, S.F. 615: Provides that the higher education coordinating board shall seek to contract with schools of optometry and osteopathy in other states for the placement of not to exceed ten Minnesota resident osteopathy students and not to exceed thirteen Minnesota resident optometry students. Requires a student for whom a space is contracted to practice in Minnesota for not less than three years. Requires the student to begin practice in Minnesota within eighteen months after completion of the program unless a delay is approved by the board. Requires the HECB to explore the feasibility of cooperating with neighboring states in the development of a regional system for the delivery of optometric education and report to the 1979 legislature. Appropriates \$217,000.

CREDIT TRANSFERABILITY, Chapter 358, H.F. 129: Amends M.S. 136A.04 and M.S. 136A. Requires the higher education coordinating board to monitor and study the transferability between Minnesota post-secondary and higher education institutions of credits earned for equal and relevant work at those institutions, the degree to which credits earned at one institution are accepted at full value by the other institutions, and the policies of these institutions concerning the placement of these transferred credits on transcripts. Requires the HECB to make recommendations to the various post-secondary systems and to the legislature on these issues and requires reports to the 1978 and 1979 legislatures on its progress. Effective 6-3-77.

FAMILY PRACTICE, Chapter 362, H.F. 180: See Health and Welfare, Health, Personnel.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS-IN-AID, Chapter 384, H.F. 559: Amends M.S. 124.48 and various sections of M.S. 136A. Removes the requirement that an applicant for a scholarship or grant-in-aid be a U.S. citizen. Limits the amount of a scholarship or grant to the lesser of one-half of the applicant's need or an amount which if combined with the amount of a federal basic educational opportunity grant equals 75% of the applicant's need. Allows only first-year students to be eligible for initial scholarship awards. Allows only first-year and transfer students to be eligible for initial grants-in-aid in 1977-1978 and also allows second-year students who did not receive a grant upon entrance to be eligible in 1978-1979 and thereafter. Requires that the application deadline for scholarships and grants-in-aid be no earlier than February 15. Requires each institution to estimate its need for foreign student scholarships and work study grants and allows reallocation of these funds to other institutions. Removes the authority of the HECB to guarantee student loans. Requires data on applicants for financial assistance in student financial programs to be classified as private data on individuals. Increases the HECB revenue bonding authority for student loans to \$125,000,000 outstanding,



not including refunding bonds. Includes a handicapped person or a person over 65 who employs a student to provide personal services in or about his residence in the definition of eligible employer in a work-study program. Allows a full-time student who becomes part-time to continue to be employed under the state work-study program for the remainder of the academic year. Removes provision limiting amount spent on on-campus employment to 50% of institution's state work-study allocation, and requires each institution receiving funds for state work-study grants to make a reasonable effort to place students in employment with employers outside the institution. Creates a part-time student grant-in-aid program. Appropriates \$250,000 for the year ending 6-30-78, and \$500,000 for the year ending 6-30-79, for part-time students' grants-in-aid. Discontinues the program of grants for nursing students by the state board of nursing and, effective 7-1-77, creates a new program of grants to nursing students under the HECB. Creates criteria for eligibility for nursing student grants and specifies that a student who receives such a grant shall not be eligible for a state scholarship or grant-in-aid in the same year. Effective 6-3-77.

MEDICAL STUDENT LOANS, Chapter 413, H.F. 1060: Amends M.S. 147.30 and 147.31. Requires that the HECB not discriminate against an applicant who resides in an urban area prior to or at the time of application for a loan. Provides that the obligation to repay the principal and interest on a loan shall be forgiven for a student who received a loan prior to 6-1-75, if that student practices for three years in a rural area. Increases the loan amount to not to exceed \$6,000 per year or \$24,000 in aggregate. Increases the revenue bonding authority of the HECB from \$120,000 per year to \$144,000 per year for this program. Effective 7-1-77.

HIGHER EDUCATION OMNIBUS BILL, Chapter 449, H.F. 1510: See Appropriations.

## INSURANCE

PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE OF MOTOR CARRIERS AND REGISTRATION FEES FOR CERTAIN INTERSTATE MOTOR CARRIERS, Chapter 122, H.F. 1130: See Transportation.

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE POLICIES, Chapter 178, S.F. 96: Permits individuals to cancel individual policies of health and life insurance within 10 days after receiving a copy of the policy. Requires the insurer to include a statutory notice in the insurance policy informing the insured of the right of cancellation.

CONVERSION PRIVILEGES UNDER ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES UPON MARRIAGE DISSOLUTION, Chapter 186, S.F. 368: Amends M.S. 62A, 62C, and 62D by adding sections. Prohibits provision in accident and health insurance policies, nonprofit health service plan, subscriber contracts and health maintenance contracts covering the spouse of the insured for termination of coverage of the spouse because of a break in the marital relationship, except dissolution of marriage. Requires that all accident and health insurance policies, nonprofit health service plan subscriber contracts and health maintenance contracts covering the insured's spouse also provide that upon dissolution of the marriage, the spouse may obtain an individual policy or contract with the insurer without evidence of insurability with coverage similar to the terminated coverage. Effective 7-19-77.

ATTORNEYS' FEES FOR SUBROGATED INSURERS, Chapter 188, S.F. 388: See Judiciary.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PLANS, Chapter 192, S.F. 557: See Labor-Management Relations.

LICENSING OF INSURANCE AGENTS, Chapter 194, S.F. 581: Amends M.S. 60A.17. Reduces the time period from one year to six months within which an applicant for a license to act as an insurance agent must take the examination after paying an examination fee before forfeiting the fee to the state. Specifies the method for timely and properly filing renewal applications for license. Effective as to licenses renewed after 1-1-78.

LEGAL EXPENSE INSURANCE, Chapter 195, S.F. 586: See Judiciary.

INSURANCE SOLICITORS AND AGENTS, Chapter 243, H.F. 635: Amends M.S. 60A.17 and 72A.07. Increases insurance solicitors' license fee from \$10 to \$25. Authorizes the insurance commissioner to issue cease and desist orders with provision for due process, and seek injunctions in district court with respect to violations of Ch. 60A and rules or orders of the insurance commissioner. Gives the insurance commissioner additional powers with respect to licensed insurance agents or solicitors violating

provisions regulating them, including revocation or suspension of licenses, lodging criminal complaints, and imposing civil penalties of up to \$300 per violation. Clarifies that each sale of an insurance policy by an unlicensed agent is a separate statutory offense, and limits to \$300 the total penalties payable by an insurer because of the activities of a single unlicensed agent. Effective 7-1-77.

TOWNSHIP MUTUAL COMPANIES, Chapter 244, H.F. 675: Amends M.S. 67A.11, 67A.14 and 67A.23. Changes the deadline for filing annual statements with the insurance commissioner from February 1 to March 1 following the end of the fiscal year. Changes the kind of property insurable by township mutual fire insurance companies. Clarifies that township mutual fire insurance companies may not insure property in cities of the first or second class. Permits deposit of funds of township mutuals in federally insured depositories located in Minnesota only; permits deposits in adjacent states to continue in the depository until maturity but thereafter requires deposit in Minnesota depositories.

SURPLUS REQUIREMENTS OF NON-PROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN CORPORATIONS, Chapter 261, S.F. 1087: Amends M.S. 62C.09. Reduces the minimum surplus required of non-profit service plan corporations organized on a capital stock basis from the greater of initial surplus reduced by \$100,000 or 25% of all health service claims incurred and administrative expenses during the previous calendar year, to the greater of initial surplus less \$100,000 or 16-2/3% of health service claims incurred and administrative expenses during the most recent calendar year. Reduces the maximum permissible surplus from 50% of all health service claims plus administrative expenses during the previous calendar year to 33-1/3% of all health service claims incurred and administrative expenses during the most recent calendar year.

CLARIFICATION OF AMBIGUOUS PROVISIONS IN MINNESOTA NO-FAULT AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE ACT, Chapter 266, S.F. 1338: Amends various sections of M.S. 65B. Clarifies that loss of income for which benefits are payable includes costs incurred by self-employed persons to hire substitute employees; clarifies that "inability to work" means disability preventing employment on a regular basis; clarifies that an injured person may try to return to employment but if unable to continue by reason of the injury need not thereby lose benefits, except compensation for lost income will be reduced by income received while the person is actually able to work. Clarifies that "uninsured motor vehicle" includes an uninsured motorcycle. Clarifies that if an action for negligence is commenced, any recovery must be reduced by economic loss benefits which will be payable in the future, as well as those actually paid. Clarifies that an insurer paying economic loss benefits may be subrogated against an insurer providing residual liability coverage where a commercial vehicle is involved in the accident only against the insurer of the commercial vehicle where the commercial vehicle operator was negligent.

LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION, Chapter 273, H.F. 296:

Adds a new chapter and amends various sections of M.S. 60B. Creates an association of insurers to guarantee payment of insurance benefits and guarantee continuation of coverage of direct life insurance policies, health insurance policies, annuity contracts, and supplemental life and health insurance policies or annuity contracts, including fraternal beneficiary associations; requires all insurers doing this kind of business in Minnesota to be members. Places the association under the supervision of the insurance commissioner with exercise of powers through a board of directors selected from member insurers and approved by the commissioner. Requires establishment of accounts for each of health insurance, life insurance, and annuities. Requires the association to guarantee, assume, or reinsure the policies of a domestic insurer that becomes impaired and imposes the same obligation on the association as to policies of Minnesota residents for foreign insurers which become impaired, unless the domiciliary jurisdiction of the foreign insurer provides substantially similar protection for Minnesota residents. Provides that the association becomes subrogated to the rights of the policyholders against the impaired insurer to the extent of benefits by the association. Provides for the assessment of member insurers for each account on 30-days prior written notice. Assesses for administrative costs and general expenses in an amount determined by the board of directors based on proportion of premiums on Minnesota business on policies in each account to total of all member insurers. Assesses for funds necessary to carry out obligations as to domestic impaired insurers to be divided among the accounts proportionately to the amount of premiums received by the impaired insurer on policies covered by the accounts to premiums received on all covered policies, and sets up a separate account for each state where the impaired domestic insurer was authorized to transact insurance assessing proportionately as to premiums received in a particular state compared with total premiums received. Authorizes assessment of members for funds necessary to meet obligations regarding foreign insurers to be divided among the accounts in the proportion of business of the impaired insurer in the kinds of policies covered by each account and assessed against members based on the proportion of premiums in Minnesota on policies covered by each account to business in Minnesota by all member insurers. Limits the total of assessments on member insurers for each account to no more than 2% of the insurer's premiums in Minnesota on policies covered by the account in any calendar year. Provides for reporting, recommendations, and other communications between the commissioner of insurance and the association enabling the combination of efforts to prevent impairment of insurers. Gives additional powers to the receiver of an impaired insurer to avoid distributions made by the insurer to certain affiliates immediately preceding impairment.

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE, Chapter 276, H.F. 672: Amends M.S. 65B.02, 65B.06 and 65B.49. Modifies calculation of the responsibility of a participating member of the automobile insurance plan for expenses and assessments of the facility by permitting a preliminary determination of financial responsibility based on premiums during the third prior calendar year, rather than the second prior year. Authorizes the governing committee of

the automobile insurance plan facility, with the approval of the commissioner of insurance, to require that the facility offer higher limits of liability coverage as recommended by the governing committee and approved by the commissioner of insurance. Requires the facility to offer uninsured motorist coverage equal to the residual bodily injury liability limits of the policy or such smaller limits as the insured may select. Requires the facility to offer additional medical expense benefits up to \$30,000 and other optional coverages recommended by the governing committee and approved by the insurance commissioner. Prohibits insurers licensed to offer liability coverage and uninsured motorist coverage from offering collision insurance unless the insured has requested either liability or uninsured motorist coverage from the insurer. Requires no-fault insurers to offer uninsured motorist coverage providing for total limits of uninsured motorist coverage equal to residual bodily injury liability limits of the policy, or smaller limits selected by the insured. Effective 5-27-77.

CANCELLATION OF AGENCY CONTRACTS BY FIRE AND CASUALTY LOSS INSURANCE COMPANIES, Chapter 287, H.F. 972: Prohibits fire and casualty loss insurance companies from terminating an agency contractual relationship of at least three-years' duration without at least three-months' prior written notice. Permits the agent to renew insurance contracts written by the agent for up to a one-year period during the nine-month period after termination becomes effective. Prohibits refusal by the insurer to renew business written by the agent, during the term of the agency contract, if conforming with the company's current underwriting standards. Effective 5-27-77.

FILING REQUIREMENTS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES, PRODUCT LIABILITY INSURANCE, Chapter 316, S.F. 583: Amends M.S. 72A by adding a section and repeals 72A.06. Provides a monetary penalty for late filings by insurance companies of annual statements, making false statements, late filing of amended bylaws, articles, or related amendments, and late filing of other required forms. Increases from \$500 to \$5,000 the penalty for filing false documents. Requires product liability insurers to report annually the number of product liability claims by category and the amounts paid in settlement of the claims, the total premiums received from persons in Minnesota on product liability insurance, the number of persons insured, and the number of persons refused coverage or for which coverage was cancelled and the reasons therefor. Product liability insurance reporting provisions expire 4-1-79. Effective 7-1-77.

CONVERSION RIGHTS ON TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE PLANS, Chapter 335, H.F. 297: Amends M.S. 62E.16. Requires programs for self insurance, group accident and health insurance policies, and health maintenance organization contracts to include provisions for conversion to individual coverage upon termination of group coverage without additional underwriting restrictions.

GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTS FOR PUBLIC BODIES, Chapter 343, H.F. 1094: Amends M.S. 471.616. Permits public bodies purchasing group insurance for their employees through competitive bidding procedures to consider the financial capability of insurers to carry the insurance risks, the capability of the insurer to administer the policy, and the cost of changing insurers in determining the lowest responsible bidder.

READABLE INSURANCE POLICIES, Chapter 345, H.F. 1201: Applies to all direct insurance policies, including non-profit health service plans, health maintenance organizations, assessment benefit associations and fraternal beneficiary associations, but excluding insurance on aircraft and railroads in interstate commerce and oceancraft. Requires insurance policies issued after 7-1-78 to include a cover sheet indicating that the policy is a legal contract, urging policyholders to read the contract, and including an index and summary of major provisions. As an alternative to the cover sheet, requires the policy to be written in language easily readable and understandable, conforming with legibility and format standards, and passing the requisite Flesch scale analysis readability test. Requires insurers to file policies and contracts with the commissioner of insurance to determine compliance with the act. Provides for staggered implementation dates for different types of insurance, and requires the commissioner of insurance to report to the legislature regarding implementation, operation and compliance with the act. Effective 5-28-77.

INTEREST ON UNPAID INSURANCE BENEFITS, Chapter 353, H.F. 16: Amends M.S. 61A by adding a section. Requires an insurer to pay interest on life insurance proceeds left on deposit with the insurer from the date of death until the date of payment of the proceeds at the insurer's current rate of interest or, if none, at the rate of interest charged by the insurer to policyholders for loans under the policies; requires payment of an additional 2% per annum interest if insurance benefits are not paid within 60 days after receipt of due proof of death of the insured; requires the insurer to enclose with payment of proceeds a notice stating the interest paid and specifying the rate of interest; excludes from these provisions elections to receive payment in other than a lump sum, credit life insurance, and cases where the beneficiary is a resident of a jurisdiction having a law requiring payment of interest to beneficiaries; applies to death of insureds occurring on or after 8-1-77; permits payment of proceeds into court or into a trust account within the requisite time period without an additional interest charge.

FOSTER BOARDING HOMES, Chapter 360, H.F. 167: See Health and Welfare, Social Services.

AIRCRAFT AND INLAND MARINE INSURANCE, Chapter 365, H.F. 256: Amends M.S. 70A.02, 70A.06 and 360.59. Limits the exemption from Ch. 70A of aircraft insurance to insurance against loss or damage to aircraft used in scheduled airline operations, or general aircraft insurance. Makes provisions requiring prior filing of insurance rates and prior filing

and approval of insurance policy forms with the insurance commissioner apply to inland marine policies insuring personal property purchased on credit where the property is pledged as collateral and where the property is for the debtor's personal use. Provides an exception from the requirement that passenger liability coverage be maintained on aircraft, for experimental aircraft prohibited from carrying passengers by federal regulation.

REFUND OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PREMIUMS ON CANCELLATION, Chapter 366,  
H.F. 259: Amends M.S. 65B.14 and 65B by adding sections. Provides that cancellation of a policy of automobile insurance is not effective unless the unearned premium is returned to the insured along with the notice of cancellation or is delivered or mailed so as to be received by the insured on or before the effective date of cancellation.

CREDIT LIFE AND CREDIT ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 382,  
H.F. 530: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Requires that credit life or credit accident and health insurance procured by and paid for out of the proceeds of a loan made by an industrial loan and thrift company must be written in compliance with Ch. 62B governing credit life and accident health insurance; requires disclosure in the policy as to the commencement of payment of benefits upon disability of the insured; permits joint credit life insurance to be written on loans made by industrial loan and thrift companies. Amends the provisions relating to credit life and credit accident and health insurance policies written in connection with loans from small loan companies in the same manner as those regarding industrial loan and thrift companies. Clarifies that transactions involving certificates of indebtedness providing for payment in substantially equal installments are covered by the limitations on the amount of credit insurance as not in excess of the scheduled or actual amount of the outstanding indebtedness. Removes the debtor's option to waive provisions requiring that the amount of credit life insurance decrease with the greater of scheduled or actual indebtedness. Prohibits "pyramiding" of credit life insurance by requiring that when any indebtedness is prepaid (except by a new loan from the same creditor or payment under the policy) the credit insurance policy must be cancelled and the refund paid to the debtor, and by requiring that prepayment of the indebtedness by a new loan or refinancing through the same creditor cancels the old credit insurance policy if a new policy of the same type of insurance is issued in connection with the new loan or refinancing, with the refund to be paid or credited to the debtor. Permits a debtor to provide a policy of life or accident and health insurance other than that sold through the creditor if the creditor requires credit accident and health or credit life insurance; requires the creditor to inform the debtor of his right to provide alternative coverage before the loan is made.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-PROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN CORPORATIONS,  
Chapter 405, H.F. 971: Amends M.S. 62C.09. Reduces the surplus requirements for non-profit health service plan corporations whose service plans are limited to providing dental or vision care service with limits for

specified benefits and limits for average maximum benefits not exceeding \$1,000 per year per insured, to the greater of initial surplus reduced by \$100,000 or 10% of the sum of all health service claims incurred plus administrative expenses, during the previous calendar year; requires that this minimum surplus need not be greater than the surplus requirements of insurance companies operating on the stock plan and providing accident and health coverage. Effective 6-3-77.

HEALTH INSURANCE; CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 409, H.F. 1030:  
See Health and Welfare, Health, Insurance.



## JUDICIARY

UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION ACT, Chapter 8, S.F. 107: Limits state jurisdiction in child custody disputes to cases in which Minnesota is the home state of the child, cases in which the child and one or more of the contestants have significant contacts with the state, and cases in which it is necessary to exercise jurisdiction in emergency situations. Sets forth procedures for the notification of all contestants of child custody proceedings; authorizes a court of this state to decline to exercise jurisdiction if this state is an inconvenient forum, or if the petitioner has unclean hands. Provides for the recognition, filing and enforcement of foreign custody decrees; provides procedures for cooperation with the courts of other states. Effective 4-1-77.

REGISTRATION OF REAL ESTATE, Chapter 21, S.F. 86: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MOBILE HOME RENTAL LOTS, Chapter 49, H.F. 1208: Amends M.S. 327.43 and 327.44. Prohibits charging of fees other than rental fees specified in agreement or fees for goods and services furnished to the lessee. Requires 60-days' notice for termination of lease by lessor for any cause other than nonpayment of rent or breach of agreement.

UNIFORM ENFORCEMENT OF FOREIGN JUDGMENTS ACT, Chapter 51, S.F. 70: Permits foreign judgments entitled to full faith and credit to be filed with the clerk of district court and to be docketed and enforced in the same manner as judgments of courts of this state. Requires notice of filing to judgment creditor; permits stay of enforcement of the foreign judgment under certain conditions. Effective 7-1-77.

U OF M PEACE OFFICERS, Chapter 82, S.F. 617: Amends various sections. Confers on the University of Minnesota police force the statutory powers of peace officers, including a limited power of arrest. Requires appropriate training for the peace officers.

RETROCESSION OF FEDERAL JURISDICTION, Chapter 125, S.F. 13: Amends M.S. 1.043. Sets forth a procedure for the partial or total retrocession of federal jurisdiction over federal lands. Authorizes the governor, after consultation with the affected local authorities, to accept the retrocession. Effective 5-20-77.

ADOPTION CONSENTS, Chapter 126, S.F. 69: Amends M.S. 259.24. Exempts consents executed by a co-petitioning parent or a non-custodial parent from the requirement of execution before a representative of the commissioner of public welfare or a licensed child placing agency. Effective as to consents executed on or after 5-20-77.

ACTIONS FOR RECOVERY OF RENT DEPOSITS, Chapter 129, S.F. 166: Amends various sections. Permits action to recover rent deposits to be brought in the county in which the rental property is located, and permits statewide service of process in such actions.

VETERINARIANS' LICENSING FILING FEE, Chapter 139, S.F. 721: Amends M.S. 156.09. Provides a uniform fee of \$5 for the filing of veterinarians' licenses with the clerk of district court.

RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL OF GUARDIANS, Chapter 153, S.F. 967: Amends M.S. 525.582. Permits court to settle the account and enter judgment against a guardian, conservator or appropriate surety in cases in which there has been mismanagement, misconduct, or shortage of funds. Judgment is filed, docketed and enforced in the same manner as any other judgment. Permits court to remove disabled or incapacitated guardian or conservator.

INTERIM ORDERS, Chapter 154, S.F. 969: Amends M.S. 524.3-105 and 524.3-606. Authorizes court to issue interim orders during pendency of administration of estate. Permits court to order responsible surety to file final account and petitions for complete settlement and distribution and closing of estate after removal or death of sole or last surviving representative. Permits entry and enforcement of judgment against surety if it appears the representative has mismanaged the estate, misappropriated funds or committed other misconduct for which the surety is liable.

APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, Chapter 155, S.F. 970: Amends M.S. 524.3-613. Permits appointment of a successor representative upon petition or application, but without the procedural requirements for the appointment of the initial personal representative.

GOOD FAITH PURCHASES FROM PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, Chapter 156, S.F. 972: Amends M.S. 524.3-714. Protects good faith purchasers who take from purchasers who did not act in good faith when dealing with a personal representative.

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR PROBATE, Chapter 157, S.F. 973: Amends Ch. 524 by adding a section. Provides that probate proceedings are governed by the rules promulgated by the supreme court for practice in county courts, unless inconsistent with the probate laws.

COLLECTION OF PERSONALTY BY AFFIDAVIT, Chapter 159, S.F. 1138: Amends M.S. 524.3-1201. Requires a certified death certificate for the decedent to be presented to debtors of the decedent when the personalty is collected by affidavit.

UNIFORM CONCILIATION COURT FORMS, Chapter 175, S.F. 1014: Amends various sections. Requires the supreme court to prescribe uniform forms for use in all conciliation courts of the state and requires all conciliation courts to use and accept such forms. Effective 5-20-77.

ACCESS TO ADOPTION RECORDS, Chapter 181, S.F. 191: Amends various provisions. Permits adopted individuals over 21 years of age to request access to their original birth certificates. Requires a six-month search to be made to locate each parent named on the original birth certificate; requires notice of the request for information to be made to each parent located. Permits the parent to prohibit release of the birth certificate. Authorizes release of information if parent is not located and has not prohibited disclosure of information at any time prior to the date of the request of the adopted person. Permits the adopted person to petition the appropriate court for release of the information if the parent is deceased. Requires notice of the provisions of this chapter to all parents upon the termination of their parental rights. Effective 6-1-77.

TRUST JURISDICTION, Chapter 184, S.F. 254: Amends various sections. Gives county courts concurrent jurisdiction over trusts. Permits a trustee or beneficiary of a trust to petition the court for a temporary release of jurisdiction over a trust; permits a subsequent petition to reassume jurisdiction to be filed by a trustee or beneficiary.

LAPSE OF FOREIGN CAUSES OF ACTION, Chapter 187, S.F. 380: Repeals M.S. 541.14, which provided that a cause of action arising in another state is generally subject to the appropriate statute of limitation of the jurisdiction in which the cause of action arose.

ATTORNEYS' FEES FOR SUBROGATED INSURERS, Chapter 188, S.F. 388: Amends M.S. 65B.53. Provides that an insurer may not enforce his right to be subrogated to all or part of an insured's claim for damages arising out of an automobile accident unless the insurer, upon demand of the insured, agrees to pay a proportional share of the attorneys' fees and costs incurred to prosecute the claim. Effective 5-21-77.

LEGAL EXPENSE INSURANCE, Chapter 195, S.F. 586: Amends M.S. 60A.08 and 60A.19. Authorizes the sale of closed panel legal services insurance. Permits an insurance company to qualify to do business in this state on the basis of the financial requirements of the state of incorporation.

MENTAL EXAMINATION OF DEFENDANTS, Chapter 196, S.F. 587: See Criminal Justice.

ANNUAL COST AND DISBURSEMENTS REPORT, Chapter 199, S.F. 719: Repeals M.S. 485.09, which required an annual report by the clerk of court to the county attorney on the costs and disbursements for criminal prosecutions incurred during the reporting period.

JUVENILE COURT FEES, Chapter 200, S.F. 720: Repeals M.S. 260.106, Subd. 1 and 2, relating to certain filing fees in the juvenile court.

PROBATE COURT PETIT JURORS, Chapter 201, S.F. 722: Amends M.S. 525.013. Requires petit jurors for probate proceedings to be selected in the same manner as petit jurors are selected in the district court.

ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS, Chapter 202, S.F. 767: Amends M.S. 559.17 and 576.01. Mandates the appointment of a receiver upon the default on a mortgage on non-homesteaded and non-agricultural land which secured an original principal amount of \$500,000 or more. Sets forth the procedure for the appointment of a receiver; sets forth the duties of the receiver relating to the management of the property. Permits the assignment of rents and profits as additional security for the debt secured by a mortgage executed or modified after 8-1-77 which secured an original principal amount of \$500,000 or more and is not a lien on homesteaded property.

RESIDENCE OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES, Chapter 204, S.F. 860: Amends M.S. 487.01. Changes residency requirements for certain judges in St. Louis county.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR DECREE OF DESCENT, Chapter 207, S.F. 968: Amends M.S. 525.312. Requires publication in legal newspaper of notice of hearing on a petition for a decree of descent.

MULTI-COUNTY GRAND JURIES, Chapter 208, S.F. 1051: See Criminal Justice.

VENUE IN CHILD ABUSE CASES, Chapter 212, S.F. 1291: Amends M.S. 626.556. Provides that venue in child abuse actions may be in the county in which the abuse occurred, or in which the child is found. Defines physical abuse of a child to include health defects which cannot be reasonably explained by the parent. Requires records of child abuse to be destroyed if the allegations are found to be false, rather than unsubstantiated.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INFORMATION, Chapter 237, H.F. 1474: Amends M.S. 268.12. Authorizes release of employment services information to any agency of the state required by federal law to provide statistical information to the federal bureau of labor statistics.

GRANDPARENTS' VISITATION RIGHTS, Chapter 238, H.F. 56: Amends M.S. 257.022. Authorizes the court to grant reasonable visitation rights during a child's minority to the parents or grandparents of the custodial party in a dissolution proceeding. Authorizes the court to grant reasonable visitation rights to grandparents or greatgrandparents with whom a child has resided for at least 12 months if the child is subsequently removed by his parents from the home of the petitioners. Effective 5-25-77.

RECORDING OF PROBATE DEEDS OF DISTRIBUTION, Chapter 263, S.F. 1175: Amends M.S. 272.12. Exempts probate deeds of distribution from the prohibition against recordation without a certificate stating that no delinquent taxes are owed on the property transferred.

TITLE ACTIONS ON TAX FORFEITED LAND, Chapter 265, S.F. 1309: Amends M.S. 284.28. Establishes a one-year statute of limitations for title actions relating to tax-forfeited land with respect to specified defects. Sets forth the measure of damages for unjust deprivation of any land or interest in land caused by the negligence of a public employee in the

performance of his duties relating to the taxation or forfeiture of land. Cures all defects in title to tax-forfeited land which are based upon the alleged invalidity of a county auditor's certificate of forfeiture or certificate of sale which has been on file for 10 years by 6-15-78 and which was issued prior to 6-15-77. Effective 6-15-77.

INTEREST ON SECURITY DEPOSITS, Chapter 280, H.F. 829: Amends M.S. 504.20. Requires the landlord to pay interest on a security deposit during the period the deposit is held by him. Sets forth the measure of damages for the wrongful withholding of a rent deposit and the wrongful withholding of rent by a tenant.

UNIFORM RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ACT AMENDMENTS, Chapter 282, H.F. 916: Amends various sections. Confers concurrent jurisdiction over child support matters on county and district courts; authorizes the court to issue an order for appropriate continuing contributions by an appropriate relative; authorizes the county attorney to participate in child support enforcement matters and paternity actions to the extent specified by federal law, and to receive reimbursement for legal services provided in these matters. Permits the filing and enforcement of foreign child support orders. Requires notice to the obligee of the filing of a foreign support order; permits the stay of enforcement of the order under the same circumstances as a similar order of a court of this state may be stayed. Requires the county welfare board to recommend to the court an appropriate sum of child support in cases in which the county welfare board is notified that a recipient of or applicant for AFDC is a party to an action for dissolution, separate maintenance, or child custody. Prohibits entry of an appropriate order until the county welfare board has received proper notice. Authorizes the county welfare board to petition the court for a redetermination of child support payments if the board received no notification of the proceedings and determines that the amount of support ordered is inadequate.

UNIFORM JUROR SELECTION ACT, Chapter 286, H.F. 954: Enacts uniform juror selection act. Prohibits discrimination in the selection of jurors. Requires the random selection of jurors; requires each county to maintain a jury selection plan; requires each county to maintain source and master lists; provides for jury duty qualification questionnaires; provides standards for juror disqualification; provides for excuse of juror from service. Sets forth procedures for challenging juror selection practices; provides for protection of juror's employment during jury service.

TAX COURT, Chapter 307, S.F. 160: Amends various provisions of Minnesota Statutes. Establishes the tax court as a full-time court. Provides for the appointment of three judges. Specifies the jurisdiction of the court in tax matters. Requires hearings to be scheduled throughout the state. Sets forth procedures for the filing of appeals with the tax court; the rules of civil procedure are applicable insofar as practicable. Authorizes the tax court to promulgate additional rules of procedure. Establishes a small claims division of the tax court to hear appeals relating

to homesteaded property or cases in which the amount in controversy does not exceed \$2,500, at the election of the taxpayer. Sets forth procedures for the small claims division. Appropriates money. Effective 7-1-77.

HENNEPIN COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT FEES, Chapter 321, S.F. 709: Amends M.S. 488A.03. Supersedes existing provision which exempts political subdivisions from paying court fees for criminal proceedings in Hennepin county municipal court. Effective as to fees collectible on or after 6-1-77.

VENUE IN CHILD NEGLECT CASES, Chapter 330, S.F. 1290: Amends various sections. Provides that venue in child neglect cases may be in the county where the child is found, the county of his residence, or the county where the neglect occurred. Permits detention of juveniles without court order over complete weekend. Sets forth procedures for a periodic review of juvenile detention orders.

OLMSTED COUNTY ELECTRONIC COURT TRANSCRIPTION, Chapter 336, H.F. 314: Permits the use of electronic recording and transcription devices in court proceedings in Olmsted county. Requires a report to the legislature by November, 1978.

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT DOMESTIC RELATIONS REFEREE, Chapter 341, H.F. 952: Authorizes the appointment of a domestic relations referee in the sixth judicial district. Sets forth the duties of the referee. Effective 5-28-77.

DATA PRIVACY, Chapter 375, H.F. 415: Amends various sections. Extends to 7-31-78 the deadline for the granting of emergency classifications by the commissioner of administration. Sets forth procedures for the granting of emergency classifications; permits temporary classification of data during the application process. Increases parental access to the records of their minor children. Grants to the individual the right to be informed of the intended use within the collecting agency of data collected from him, and the identity of other persons or entities authorized by law to receive the data collected. Requires agencies to respond to a request for private data within 10 days. Makes minor changes in definitions related to the data privacy act. Extends to 7-31-78 the confidential classification of civil and criminal investigative data. Effective 6-3-77.

MEDICAL RECORDS, Chapter 380, H.F. 462: Requires health care providers to provide, upon request of the patient, a copy of the patient's record, a summary of the record, or a copy of the relevant portion of the record. Permits the provider to withhold the information if release is dangerous to the patient, but permits release to an appropriate third party or another provider. Requires health care providers to transfer or loan the information to another provider upon the request of the patient. The patient may be charged reasonable costs for copies or transferred materials. Rights are in addition to any other rights conferred by law. Effective 6-3-77.

DRAM SHOP AMENDMENTS, Chapter 390, H.F. 676: Amends M.S. 340.95 and 340.951. Eliminates statutory liability of social host for injuries caused by an intoxicated guest. Imposes a limit on recovery under the act of \$250,000 for injury to one person and \$500,000 for all injuries arising out of a single incident. Applies comparative negligence to actions brought by non-family members. Reduces the statute of limitations for dram shop actions against municipalities from three years to one year. Effective 7-1-77.

SEX DISCRIMINATION DEFINED, Chapter 408, H.F. 1015: Amends various sections. Includes women affected by pregnancy, childbirth and disabilities relating to pregnancy and childbirth in the class protected against discrimination on the basis of sex. Permits the commissioner to appeal a decision by a hearing examiner to district court.

GUARDIANSHIPS, Chapter 415, H.F. 1113: Requires a determination through comprehensive evaluation that guardianship of a mentally retarded person by the commissioner of public welfare is necessary. Extends time limit for completion of the evaluation from 30 to 90 days. Effective 6-30-77.

COURT REORGANIZATION, Chapter 432, S.F. 311: Amends various provisions of Minnesota Statutes. Requires the election of a single chief judge in each judicial district. Permits the assignment of judges to any court within their districts and permits limited assignment of judges to serve in foreign districts. Specifies the duties of the chief justice and the state court administrator. Provides for a continuous term of court in all courts. Abolishes direct appeals from the county municipal courts to the supreme court. Requires three-judge district court appellate panels to hear appeals from county and county municipal courts. Rotates the position of family court judge in Hennepin county. Requires appointment of a single administrator in each judicial district. Abolishes justices of the peace on 7-1-77. Abolishes judicial officers and referees on 7-31-78. Sets salaries of judges and administrators. Effective 7-1-77.

POWERS OF REGISTRAR, Chapter 440, S.F. 971: Amends various provisions. Clarifies the powers of probate registrars. Specifies deductions for tax purposes in estates which have not been under formal supervision by the court. Permits appointment of a special administrator in certain cases beyond the three-year limitation for the commencement of probate proceedings. Effective 6-3-77, as to all probate proceedings commenced on or after 1-1-76.

MARRIAGE LICENSES, Chapter 441, S.F. 977: Amends various sections. Defines marriage as a civil contract between a man and a woman. Requires applicants to set forth their full names before and after marriage on the application for a marriage license. Raises marriage license fee from \$10 to \$11. Requires a certified copy of the marriage certificate to be mailed to the parties and to the person solemnizing the marriage.

## LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

STATE EMPLOYMENT DURING ENERGY EMERGENCY, Chapter 1, S.F. 110: See Governmental Operations.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, Chapter 4, S.F. 232: Amends various sections of M.S. 268. Redefines "base period" by providing for the period to be extended by the number of weeks an employee received workers compensation. Redefines "wages" by increasing the employee remuneration upon which employer contributions are based, to \$7,000 for 1977, \$7,500 for 1978, and \$8,000 for 1979 and thereafter. Redefines "credit week" by requiring wages of \$50 or more a week in order for the week to be used in calculations for benefits. Increases employer contribution rates to a minimum of 1% and a maximum of 7.5% of employee wages. Increases weekly benefit amount to 62% of the statewide average weekly wage for 1977, 64% for 1978, and 66-2/3% for 1979 and thereafter. Provides for disqualification of persons who voluntarily quit their jobs or are laid off for misconduct. Employer contribution provisions effective 1-1-77; other provisions effective 7-2-77.

PLUMBERS' LICENSES, Chapter 19, H.F. 464: Amends M.S. 326. Allows reciprocal licensure without examination of plumbers licensed by other states with similar standards. Effective 4-7-77.

SALARIES OF UNCLASSIFIED STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, Chapter 35, S.F. 483: See Governmental Operations.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT PROVISIONS REGARDING INVENTIONS, Chapter 47, H.F. 763: See Commerce and Economic Development.

SUPERVISORY/CONFIDENTIAL BARGAINING UNITS, Chapter 119, H.F. 805: Amends M.S. 179.65. Permits affiliation of supervisory or confidential employees with labor organizations of nonsupervisory or nonconfidential employees. Prohibits participation in joint negotiations among these units.

VETERANS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION REPRESENTATIVES, Chapter 151, S.F. 930: Amends M.S. 268.14. Permits a veteran to be assigned to each employment service office to represent and work with veterans.

WORKERS COMPENSATION, Chapter 177, S.F. 23: Requires an employer to furnish remodeling up to a value of \$30,000 for an injured employee's residence. Effective day following final enactment.

MINIMUM WAGE, Chapter 183, S.F. 226: Amends M.S. 177.24. Increases minimum wage to \$2.30 an hour for those 18 and older and to \$2.07 for those under 18 years of age. Effective 9-15-77.



GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PLANS, Chapter 192, S.F. 557: Prohibits mandatory participation of employees in group life insurance plans unless the employer pays the full cost of the plan.

STATE EMPLOYEES; EXCLUSION FROM COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, Chapter 206, S.F. 964: Amends M.S. 179.74, Subd. 4. Excludes the following classes of state employees from eligibility to join collective bargaining units: unclassified managerial employees, managerial employees of the state university and community college systems, employees of the bureau of mediation services, and employees who work in personnel offices of an appointing authority and who have access to information subject to use in negotiations. Effective 5-20-77.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY FEES, Chapter 220, H.F. 212: Amends M.S. 184.38. Provides for refund of any fee paid to an agency if the applicant withdraws acceptance of the position within three days of signing an acceptance form if the applicant has not started the job. Effective day following final enactment.

WAGE DEDUCTION, Chapter 227, H.F. 541: Prohibits any deduction from wages of an employee by an employer for lost or stolen property, damage to property or to recover any other alleged indebtedness running from the employee to the employer, without voluntary authorization of the employee or a judgment from a court.

UNION NOTICE OF INJURY OR DEATH, Chapter 230, H.F. 920: Requires the employer to notify an employee's union local within 48 hours after the employer receives notification of a work related death or injury.

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS, Chapter 231, H.F. 922: Amends M.S. 181.06. Permits payroll deduction upon employee authorization to a local arts council, local science council, or local arts and science council.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INFORMATION, Chapter 237, H.F. 1474: See Judiciary.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION; RETIRED WORKERS, Chapter 242, H.F. 313: Amends M.S. 268.09. Permits workers who reach the mandatory retirement age to collect unemployment benefits provided they meet all qualifications for benefits, such as being available for work and actively seeking work.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT, Chapter 254, S.F. 625: Provides for \$6,000,000 during the biennium to develop summer employment opportunities for youths 14 to 22 years of age. Effective day following final enactment.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT ARBITRATORS, Chapter 284, H.F. 921: Amends M.S. 179.72. Provides for a single arbitrator when either party requests a single rather than a panel of arbitrators. Increases the per diem of arbitrators to \$180.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION; FEDERAL CONFORMITY, Chapter 297, H.F. 1310: Amends various sections of M.S. 268. Excludes the following from unemployment coverage: (a) elected officials; (b) temporary legislative employees; (c) members of the Minnesota national guard; (d) state employees hired on a temporary basis for emergency work; (e) persons hired by the state to serve in major nontenured policy positions. Provides that each political subdivision shall have the option to pay into the compensation fund through the taxing method or contribution method. Provides for coverage of certain agricultural and domestic service employees. Allows for the receipt of benefits under certain conditions by those who retire. Allows limited political activities by employees of the department of employment services.

WORK EQUITY PROGRAM, Chapter 301, H.F. 1498: See Health and Welfare, Public Assistance.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT; GRIEVANCE RESOLUTIONS, Chapter 340, H.F. 902: See Governmental Operations.

WORKERS COMPENSATION, Chapter 342, H.F. 1004: Amends various sections of M.S. 176. Limits expenses and profits includable in workers' compensation premiums to 22.5% beginning in 1979. Permits the commissioner of insurance to employ an actuary. Includes legislators in coverage. Requires owners to elect noncoverage for themselves. Excludes certain family corporations and nonprofit corporations paying less than \$500 a year in wages and salaries. Increases the benefit level to 100% of the statewide weekly wage. Excludes certain family farm employees from coverage. Increases supplemental benefits to 60% of the statewide weekly wage. Provides for distribution of physician reports. Provides for an annual adjustment of benefits. Creates a temporary workers' compensation study commission for which \$10,000 is appropriated. Generally effective the day following final enactment.

AGE DISCRIMINATION, Chapter 351, H.F. 6: Amends various sections of M.S. 363. Prohibits discrimination based on age in employment or education. Appropriates \$50,000 for 1978 and \$50,000 for 1979 to the department of human services for enforcement of this chapter.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LEAVE OF ABSENCE, Chapter 354, H.F. 26: Provides for paid leaves of absence, not exceeding 90 days a year, in order to allow public employees to engage in world athletic competition. Effective the day following final enactment.

TIP CREDIT, Chapter 369, H.F. 320: Amends M.S. 177.23, 177.24, 177.28. Prohibits mandatory tip pooling. Reduces the credit an employer can take off the minimum wage to 20%. Changes the definition of a tipped employee to one who receives \$35 or more a month in tips. Effective 9-15-77.

STATE EMPLOYEES; PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 383, H.F. 536: See Governmental Operations.

DETACHED WORKER PROGRAM, Chapter 435, S.F. 655: See Commerce and Economic Development.

CLASSIFIED STATE EMPLOYEES, Chapter 452, S.F. 1337: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 43, 179 and 299D. Ratifies collectively bargained agreements between the state and various bargaining units. Requires that negotiated benefits be available only to those groups who have executed an agreement on or before 5-15-77. Makes statutory changes required as a result of the bargained agreements. Increases the maximum salary payable to political subdivision employees to \$49,500. Exempts medical doctors employed by political subdivisions from salary limitations contained in state personnel laws. Requires the commissioner of personnel to suspend rules which are inconsistent with bargained agreements. Redefines and provides additional benefits and limitations for the state's labor service. Increases base salaries of various salary ranges. Increases from 800 to 900 the number of accumulated sick leave hours. Increases salary ranges for medical doctors in the classified service employed by the state. Expands insurance coverage available to state employees, including dental insurance for the first time. Provides for periodic cost of living adjustments over the next biennium for classified state employees. Exempts the Minneapolis city coordinator and assistant city coordinator from certain pension requirements. Provides for future negotiated agreements to be included in the computer data base maintained by the revisor of statutes. Provides for the distribution of copies of future negotiated agreements to legislators and other persons. Repeals inconsistent provisions. Effective in part on 6-9-77, 7-1-77, and 7-6-77.

## LIQUOR

EXPIRATION OF MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSES, Chapter 56, S.F. 305: Amends M.S. 340.11. Exempts cities of the first class from the requirement that all intoxicating liquor licenses issued by municipalities expire on the same date. Effective 5-5-77.

METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES COMMISSION, Chapter 89, S.F. 895: See Metropolitan and Urban Affairs.

PUBLIC DANCES, Chapter 132, S.F. 319: See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

LICENSING AND TAXATION OF LIQUOR SOLD IN COMMEMORATIVE BOTTLES, Chapter 217, H.F. 114: Amends various sections of M.S. 340. Permits collectors of commemorative liquor bottles with unbroken federal tax stamps to sell commemorative bottles to other collectors without a license and exempts them from paying state liquor taxes on sales to other collectors. Permits collectors to enter Minnesota with 12 or fewer commemorative bottles without paying Minnesota excise tax.

ON SALE LIQUOR LICENSES, Chapter 239, H.F. 90: Amends M.S. 340.11. Permits the governing body of a city to place a referendum question on the ballot asking whether or not the city council may be allowed to issue a specific number of additional on sale liquor licenses, with the number of additional licenses the governing body may issue limited to the specific number approved by the voters. Effective 5-26-77.

BEER BREWERS AND BEER WHOLESALERS, Chapter 328, S.F. 1070: Prohibits coercion by brewers of beer wholesalers to accept delivery of commodities not ordered by the wholesaler, coercion of the beer wholesaler to do illegal acts, or requiring a wholesaler to agree to a provision limiting his right to sell products of other brewers in Minnesota. Prohibits brewers designating a sales territory for a wholesaler to agree with other beer wholesalers to give them the same territory. Prohibits brewers from changing or terminating agreements with wholesalers only if the wholesaler's license is revoked, the wholesaler is bankrupt or insolvent, there is an assignment for the benefit of creditors of the wholesaler, or the wholesaler fails to comply with a reasonable and material requirement of the brewer. Requires 90-day prior written notice for a change in the agreement with or termination of a wholesaler if the reason for the change or termination is failure to comply with a requirement of the brewer. Prohibits a brewer from unreasonably withholding consent to transfer the wholesaler's business to a qualified buyer. Provides that termination or change in the agreement with the wholesaler except for good cause makes the brewer obligated to pay the wholesaler reasonable compensation for the value of his business, or subjects the brewer to court action and possible punitive damages. Prohibits a brewer from

taking retaliatory action against a wholesaler who indicates an intention to file a complaint for violation of state or federal law against a brewer. Prohibits brewers from interfering with the management or personnel of the wholesaler. Prohibits brewers from discriminating among wholesalers as to the price of beer sold to the wholesaler except on reasonable grounds. Requires the purchaser of a brewer to become obligated to all the terms and conditions of the agreement between the selling brewer and the wholesaler. Affects agreements in existence on the effective date as well as those entered into thereafter. Effective 5-28-77.

DRAM SHOP AMENDMENTS, Chapter 390, H.F. 676: See Judiciary.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BILL: LIQUOR TAX, Chapter 407, H.F. 993: See Taxation.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

REIMBURSEMENT OF FIREFIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 43, H.F. 557: Requires the commissioner of transportation to reimburse municipal or volunteer fire departments for ordinary expenses incurred in extinguishing certain fires within the right-of-way of any state trunk highway. Requires the commissioner of transportation to secure reimbursement to the trunk highway fund of monies expended from the person, fire or corporation responsible for the fire or danger of fire.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, REGULATING PUBLIC OFFICER'S INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS, Chapter 55, S.F. 170: Amends M.S. 471.88. Permits political subdivisions to designate savings associations as well as banks as official depositories if disclosure of public official's financial interest is made. Exempts certain contracts valued at \$5,000 or less (formerly \$1,000) from the prohibition on contracts with an interested officer of the governmental unit, if competitive bids were not required by law or the governmental unit has a population of less than 5,000. Requires that the contract be approved unanimously. Applies to the governing body of any port authority, seaway port authority, town, school district, county or city. Effective 5-5-77.

MUNICIPAL BOARD PER DIEM, Chapter 57, S.F. 345: See Governmental Operations.

TOWN AUDIT REPORT REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 73, H.F. 62: Amends M.S. 366.22. Eliminates the requirement that a copy of the annual audit report be furnished to the state auditor. Effective 5-12-77.

MEMBERSHIP ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS, Chapter 78, H.F. 465: Amends M.S. 462.388, Subd. 1. Makes the town clerk or town treasurer eligible for appointment by a town board to a regional development commission.

SHADE TREE DISEASE, Chapter 90, S.F. 32: See Environment and Natural Resources.

ELECTION JUDGES; PUBLIC MEETINGS ON ELECTION DAY; BALLOT COUNTING PROCEDURES, Chapter 91, S.F. 51: See Elections.

RAILROADS, LIABILITY FOR FIREFIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 95, H.F. 75: Makes railroads liable for any reasonable expenses incurred in extinguishing a fire caused by the railroad or its employees. Provides procedures for reimbursement of expenses to local government firefighting units. Makes railroads subject to local firefighting fees and assessments if they are required to pay property taxes pursuant to M.S. Ch. 272.

TRANSFER OF DITCH FUNDS, Chapter 115, H.F. 525: See Environment and Natural Resources.

PROCEDURES FOR OBJECTIONS TO PROPERTY TAXES, Chapter 118, H.F. 707: See Taxation.

INVESTMENT OF DEBT SERVICE FUNDS, Chapter 127, S.F. 78: Amends M.S. 475.66, Subd. 1 and 2. Clarifies categories of banks qualified to enter into repurchase agreements with municipalities for investment of debt service funds. Makes reporting dealers to the federal reserve bank of New York eligible for safekeeping of investments. Eliminates signature requirements on acknowledgments of municipal ownership of securities in which the fund is invested. Effective 5-20-77.

ELECTION JUDGES; SERVICE IN PRECINCTS IN WHICH JUDGE DOES NOT RESIDE, Chapter 133, S.F. 335: See Elections.

PUBLIC DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, Chapter 135, S.F. 498: See Environment and Natural Resources.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR PERSONS ELECTED TO CITY OR COUNTY OFFICES, Chapter 140, S.F. 737: See Elections.

MUNICIPALITIES; PROCEDURE FOR THE LETTING OF CONTRACTS, Chapter 182, S.F. 218: Amends M.S. 476.345. Requires sealed bids for contracts over \$10,000 (formerly \$5,000). Permits sealed bids or direct negotiation by obtaining two or more quotations without advertising for bids for contracts valued between \$5,000 and \$10,000 (formerly \$1,000 to \$5,000). Leaves the procedure for letting contracts valued at \$5,000 or less to the discretion of the governing body (formerly \$1,000 or less). Effective 5-21-77.

FIRE HALLS AND FIRE EQUIPMENT, Chapter 210, S.F. 1127: Permits a municipality or county to assign revenue from the fire department, as well as other available funds, to the farmers home administration in repayment of loans used for construction or acquisition of fire halls or firefighting equipment.

TOWNSHIP MUTUAL COMPANIES, Chapter 244, H.F. 675: See Insurance.

PUBLIC INDEBTEDNESS, REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS, Chapter 259, S.F. 1023: Amends M.S. 475. Permits municipalities to enter into reverse repurchase agreements with qualified banks or large security dealers. Defines reverse repurchase agreements to include obligations incurred by a municipality to repurchase at a fixed future date and price a security sold by it to a financial institution on the date of the agreement. Provides that reverse repurchase agreements are not to be included in the net debt of the municipality. Effective 5-26-77.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS, PAYMENTS ON CONTRACT IN ADVANCE OF COMPLETION, Chapter 278, H.F. 808: Amends M.S. 429.041, Subd. 6. Requires (formerly not mandatory) certain municipalities (which includes cities, counties and towns) to release upon recommendation of their engineer, portions of the retained price of a contract on a month-to-month basis. Prohibits

the release of more than 90% of the amount already earned unless more than 90% of the contract is completed. Requires that when more than 90% of the contract is completed, retained portions of the amount must be paid except for those amounts the municipality determines are necessary to protect its interest in the satisfactory completion of the contract. Provides for accrual of interest if the municipality fails to pay any amount when due.

WATER SURFACE USE REGULATION, MEMBERSHIP OF WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD, Chapter 322, S.F. 742: Amends various statutes. Permits a county board to regulate the water surface use of bodies of water lying wholly within a city or lake conservation district if authorized by the affected city or lake conservation district. Provides that two members (formerly one) may be elected to the White Bear conservation district board from each municipality. Consolidates various offices on the board. Sec. 1 is effective 5-8-78. Sec. 2 and 3 are effective upon approval by the governing bodies of the cities of White Bear Lake, Birchwood, Mahtomedi, Dellwood and the board of supervisors of the town of White Bear and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

SHERIFF'S FEES AND MILEAGE ALLOWANCES, Chapter 338, H.F. 324: Amends M.S. 357.09 and repeals M.S. 357.09, Subd. 5 and 357.10. Increases the amount of sheriff's fees for certain services. Raises the mileage fee to that provided in M.S. 43.327 plus 4¢ per mile. Provides that M.S. 357.09 shall not affect the fees of the sheriff of Ramsey county.

FUEL TAX EXEMPTION FOR MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEMS, Chapter 339, H.F. 769: See Taxation.

BLOOMINGTON AND SOUTH ST. PAUL HRA, Chapter 344, H.F. 1193: The housing and redevelopment authorities of Bloomington and South St. Paul are authorized to make certain rehabilitation loans and grants.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS, Chapter 391, H.F. 723: See Commerce and Economic Development.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BILL; PROPERTY TAX, Chapter 434, S.F. 649: See Taxation.

COUNTIES, SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS, Chapter 442, S.F. 1029: Amends various statutes; repeals M.S. 116A.24, Subd. 4. Authorizes inclusion of cities in sewer and water districts. Provides for damages for construction or maintenance of a system and for the right of entry on certain land for the purposes of a system. Permits a flexible accounting system for multi-county projects. Authorizes the Dakota county board to suspend up to \$240,000 for property to be used for expansion of the Dakota county fairgrounds until 1-1-78. Effective 6-2-77.



City Government

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTERS, Chapter 50, S.F. 10: Amends M.S. 465.53 and 465.54. Authorizes any city (formerly only cities having a population greater than 8,000) to establish and maintain a tourism bureau. Provides for the payment of certain expenses of public officials incurred in the performance of official duties. Effective 5-5-77.

MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR HISTORICAL WORK, Chapter 86, H.F. 425: Amends M.S. 471.93. Increases the maximum permissible appropriation by a city for historical work from \$500 to \$2,000. Effective 5-13-77.

ON SALE LIQUOR LICENSES, Chapter 239, H.F. 90: See Liquor.

Cities of the First Class

MINNEAPOLIS, SUPERVISOR OF LICENSE INSPECTION, Chapter 39, H.F. 148: Amends Laws 1961, Ch. 108, Sec. 2, as amended. Authorizes the chief of police to fill the position without holding an examination. Requires the appointee to have a minimum of four years of investigative experience with the department. Effective upon approval of the Minneapolis city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

ELWELL LAW - CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; FIRST CLASS CITIES, SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REFUND PROCEDURES, Chapter 75, H.F. 146: Amends M.S. 430.07. Specifies the special assessment refund procedure to be followed by the city council. Requires that notice of a refund of between \$1 and \$20 be mailed to the current property owner. Provides that if the amount to be refunded exceeds \$20, notice shall be mailed to the person who owned the property when the assessment was paid.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMISSION, Chapter 77, H.F. 218: See Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Hennepin.

FIREMEN'S SURVIVORS' BENEFITS; CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, Chapter 164, S.F. 1369: See Governmental Operations.

Duluth

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, CONVEYANCE OF STATE LAND, Chapter 81, H.F. 979: See Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, St. Louis.

DULUTH HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Chapter 142, S.F. 827: Authorizes Duluth to establish a housing finance program similar to that of the state housing finance agency. The city is limited to the issuance of revenue bonds, with the total amount of bonds not to exceed \$6,000,000.

CITY OF DULUTH, PARKING FACILITIES, Chapter 257, S.F. 828: Authorizes the city of Duluth to acquire, construct and maintain parking facilities. Permits financing of parking facilities by various measures including fees, taxes, assessments and bonding. Effective upon approval by the Duluth city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

SEAWAY PORT AUTHORITY, Chapter 324, S.F. 826: See Governmental Operations.

DULUTH, ADDITIONAL SALES TAX AUTHORIZED, Chapter 438, S.F. 830: See Taxation.

### Minneapolis

ELWELL LAW - CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; FIRST CLASS CITIES, SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REFUND PROCEDURES, Chapter 75, H.F. 146: See Local Government, Cities of the First Class.

MINNEAPOLIS CAMPAIGN FINANCE REGULATION, Chapter 131, S.F. 213: See Elections.

MINNEAPOLIS COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM, Chapter 138, S.F. 667: Permits the city of Minneapolis to make rehabilitation loans to businesses in the city. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation and revenue bonds to finance the program. Limits the amount of general obligation bonding to a maximum of \$10,000,000. Effective upon approval by the Minneapolis city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS AND HENNEPIN COUNTY; MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMISSION EMPLOYEES, TENURE AND BENEFITS, Chapter 191, S.F. 556: Amends Laws 1903, Ch. 247, Sec. 2, as amended. Provides tenure for those employees of the municipal building commission having at least six months service as of 8-1-77, or thereafter. Requires that promotions be filled from Minneapolis civil service lists. Prohibits removal or discharge of employees with six months service unless upon a majority vote of the members of the municipal commission for cause. Provides additional guarantees to due process during a discharge hearing. Effective upon approval of the Minneapolis city council and Hennepin county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

MINNEAPOLIS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PENSIONS, Chapter 399, H.F. 848: See Retirement.

### St. Paul

ST. PAUL, PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES, Chapter 63, S.F. 1381: Authorizes the city of St. Paul to adopt rules permitting a contract between the city and its employees which would permit employees to

authorize payroll deductions for contributions to nonprofit entities. Effective upon approval by the St. Paul city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

ST. PAUL, HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT EMPLOYEES, Chapter 165, S.F. 1382: Amends Laws 1976, Ch. 234, Sec. 4. Permits employees of the St. Paul housing and redevelopment authority to remain employees of the authority or become employees of the city. Requires the concurrent approval of any transfer by the city council and the affected bargaining units. Establishes guidelines for determining seniority and promotional rights. Effective upon approval by the St. Paul city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

ST. PAUL HOUSING AUTHORITY, Chapter 228, H.F. 542: Creates a St. Paul housing agency to provide and manage low and moderate income housing.

#### Counties

OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES, Chapter 31, H.F. 558: See Environment and Natural Resources.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, Chapter 121, H.F. 1006: See Agriculture.

COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING, ENFORCEMENT OF SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, Chapter 189, S.F. 442: Amends M.S. 394.37, Subd. 1. Permits counties to require by ordinance that a copy of some or all real estate conveyances be submitted by the county recorder to a planning and zoning officer for review after recording. Requires the officer to give notice by mail of potential violations of subdivision and platting regulations discovered during the review. Effective 5-21-77.

COUNTIES: OFFICIAL CONTROLS, Chapter 197, S.F. 628: Amends M.S. 394.312. Extends the time available to counties to bring their land use controls into compliance with Laws 1974, Ch. 571, from three years to four years.

PROBATION SERVICES, Chapter 392, H.F. 728: See Criminal Justice.

WEATHER MODIFICATION, Chapter 426, S.F. 73: See Agriculture.

DETACHED WORKER PROGRAM, Chapter 435, S.F. 655: See Commerce and Economic Development.

Counties Containing Cities of the First Class

Hennepin

HENNEPIN COUNTY, DURATION OF CONTRACTS, Chapter 69, S.F. 640: Amends Laws 1969, Ch. 476, Sec. 1. Extends the permissible term of contracts for goods and services from one year to seven years. Effective upon approval by Hennepin county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS AND HENNEPIN COUNTY; MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMISSION, Chapter 77, H.F. 218: Amends Laws 1903, Ch. 247, Sec. 1. Permits the Hennepin county board of commissioners and the Minneapolis city council to appoint members to the municipal building commission. Requires the commission to establish regular meeting dates. Effective 5-12-77.

HENNEPIN COUNTY, COMPENSATION FOR PARK AND LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS, Chapter 101, H.F. 502: Provides for a per diem of up to \$35 for Hennepin county park reserve commissioners and library board members. Permits additional reimbursement for necessary expenses. Prohibits payment of per diem for more than two days each month.

HENNEPIN COUNTY, Chapter 158, S.F. 1103: Amends M.S. 375.46, Subd. 1. Allows the Hennepin county board of commissioners to appropriate money for the patrolling of roads and highways within the county by the sheriff.

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS AND HENNEPIN COUNTY; MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMISSION EMPLOYEES, TENURE AND BENEFITS, Chapter 191, S.F. 556: See Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Minneapolis.

HENNEPIN COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT FEES, Chapter 321, S.F. 709: See Judiciary.

HENNEPIN COUNTY PERSONNEL BOARD, JOB REFERRALS, Chapter 325, S.F. 875: Amends Laws 1965, Ch. 855. Requires that the seven (formerly three) persons receiving the highest examination scores be referred when a vacancy occurs.

Ramsey

RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, Chapter 291, H.F. 1129: Amends and repeals various sections of Laws 1974, Ch. 435 and 576. Codifies existing law relating to the composition, terms and selection of the board. Provides for a time and place for meetings. Authorizes rules of procedure and the keeping of a journal. Effective upon approval by Ramsey county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS, LIMITATIONS, Chapter 402, H.F. 938: Amends Laws 1974, Ch. 435, Sec. 1.0209, as amended. Increases the amount Ramsey county shall appropriate to municipalities outside St. Paul to aid in construction and maintenance of roads and bridges.

Provides that a portion of Lexington Avenue remain eligible for county turnback funds available pursuant to M.S. 161.082 until 9-7-78. Prohibits the use of park land for reconstruction or widening of Lexington Avenue. Sec. 1 is effective upon approval by Ramsey county and compliance with M.S. 645.021. Sec. 2 is effective upon approval by the St. Paul city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

RAMSEY COUNTY, PARKS AND RECREATION, Chapter 425, H.F. 937: Amends Laws 1974, Ch. 435, Sec. 1.0205. Deletes obsolete provisions in the county code relating to parks and recreation. Effective upon approval by Ramsey county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

St. Louis

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Chapter 60, S.F. 855: Amends Laws 1959, Ch. 301, Sec. 1. Authorizes the St. Louis county commissioners to reimburse themselves for automobile expenses not to exceed \$1,800 for each commissioner per year. Effective upon approval by St. Louis county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, CONVEYANCE OF STATE LAND, Chapter 81, H.F. 979: Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to convey to St. Louis county certain land situated in Duluth. Authorizes St. Louis county to sell the land and credit the proceeds to the St. Louis county historical society. Effective upon approval by St. Louis county and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

ELECTION DISTRICTS IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 710, Chapter 92, S.F. 845: See Elections.

RESIDENCE OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES, Chapter 204, S.F. 860: See Judiciary.

## METROPOLITAN AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(See also Local Government)

### METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES COMMISSION, Chapter 89, S.F. 895:

Establishes a metropolitan sports facilities commission of seven members and prescribes its powers and duties. After receipt of environmental impact statements prepared by the state planning agency and a metropolitan council report on up to three proposed sites, the commission must submit a proposal to the metropolitan council on 12-1-78, to construct or remodel and to finance sports facilities. Specifies conditions and requirements for constructing and financing. Authorizes the sale of revenue bonds subject to certain conditions and limits. Requires an on sale tax on intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages in the metropolitan area, to be used mostly for debt service, and an admission tax at facilities controlled by the commission. Provides that the new commission take ownership of the property of the existing sports area commission. Prohibits agreements restricting game telecasts under certain circumstances.

### PENSION COVERAGE FOR METROPOLITAN WASTE CONTROL COMMISSION EMPLOYEES, Chapter 98, H.F. 308: See Retirement.

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION, Chapter 417, H.F. 1226: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Eliminates obsolete language relating to the metropolitan airports commission. Changes the per diem from \$35 to \$50, and limits the activities which qualify for per diem. Makes minor changes, in the term of the vice-chairman, in notice requirements, and in the requirement that commission plans must conform to metropolitan council plans. Subjects the commission to the uniform municipal contracting law. Changes the commission's emergency (no bid) contracting power, by removing a \$2,000 minimum, and, if two-thirds of the commissioners approve, a \$5,000 maximum.

COMO ZOO, Chapter 436, S.F. 695: After the city has secured the approval of the metropolitan council for the proposed project, the metropolitan council will issue up to \$2,300,000 in bonds to be used for the improvement of the Como Zoo in St. Paul. The bonds are in addition to the amount authorized previously by the legislature, except that total debt service may not exceed the existing statutory limit.

## RETIREMENT

TEACHERS RETIREMENT LAW, Chapter 67, S.F. 362: Amends various sections of M.S. 354. Makes various miscellaneous amendments to the teachers retirement law. Grants the executive director of the teachers retirement system the same powers and duties as directors of the other major retirement funds. Exempts fund benefits from garnishment or levy. Requires the inclusion of compound interest in the repayment of certain refunds. Effective 7-1-77.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT LAW, Chapter 97, H.F. 307: Amends various sections in M.S. 354. Removes outdated or incorrect statutory references. Effective 8-1-77.

PENSION COVERAGE FOR METROPOLITAN WASTE CONTROL COMMISSION EMPLOYEES, Chapter 98, H.F. 308: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Excludes from coverage under the Minnesota state retirement system those tradesmen employed by the metropolitan waste control commission who have trade union pension coverage. Effective 5-19-77.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S PENSIONS, Chapter 171, H.F. 1099: Amends M.S. 69.06 and 69.772. Provides for proportionate vesting of volunteer firemen's pensions. Reduces the active duty requirement from 20 years to 15 years. Adjusts the accrued liability tables accordingly. Effective 7-1-77.

MINNESOTA ADJUSTABLE FIXED BENEFIT FUND, Chapter 274, H.F. 460: Amends M.S. 11.25. Revises the formula used to determine the contributions to the fund required by the various participatory retirement associations. Provides for a temporary recalculation relating to the preceding two years. Effective 5-27-77.

STATE EMPLOYEES; DEFERRED COMPENSATION, Chapter 300, H.F. 1405: Amends M.S. 352.96. Broadens the opportunity for deferred compensation investment options by state employees. Permits the executive director of the Minnesota state retirement system to contract with providers of investment options. Establishes standards and fee-setting provisions for the providers. Requires internal revenue service approval. Effective 7-6-77.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT FUND, Chapter 313, S.F. 472: Amends M.S. 354.42, Subd. 5. Increases the employer contribution from 2-1/2% to 3% of salary in order to partially reduce fund deficit. Effective 7-1-77.

PENSIONS FOR RETIRED PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, Chapter 388, H.F. 611: Amends M.S. 352.01 and 354.46. Provides for an earlier payment date for annuity benefits. Provides an additional lump sum payment of \$225 (or \$250 if the recipient is not receiving social security) for all persons currently receiving pension benefits and who retired prior to 7-1-73. Effective 6-30-77.

MINNEAPOLIS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PENSIONS, Chapter 399, H.F. 848: Amends various sections of M.S. 355 and 422A. Establishes a coordinated retirement program for current members. Requires future eligible city employees to be members of the coordinated plan. Extends the actuarial deficit amortization date from 1997 to 2017. Makes miscellaneous amendments. Effective 7-1-77.

MAJOR RETIREMENT FUNDS, Chapter 429, S.F. 181: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Adds additional members to the governing boards of the state retirement system, the public employees retirement association, and the teachers retirement association. Provides certain additional benefits for spouses or dependents of retired legislators. Alters definitions and computation formula in respect to state aid for police pension funds. Permits employees of collective bargaining agents to participate in Minnesota state retirement system. Permits 11 employees of the higher education coordinating board to become members of the Minnesota supplemental retirement fund. Establishes a system of geographical districts for the election of members to the public employees retirement association board of directors. Redefines persons excluded from membership in the public employees retirement association. Adds employees of the Hennepin and Scott soil and water conservation districts to membership in the public employees retirement association. Establishes a coordinated plan for the St. Paul teachers retirement fund association. Makes miscellaneous amendments to other pension fund laws. Repeals inconsistent provisions. Effective in respect to one-half of the act on 6-3-77; effective as to the remainder on 7-1-77.



## TAXATION

INDEPENDENT TRUCKERS DEFINED AS RETAILERS FOR SALES TAX PURPOSES, Chapter 15, S.F. 267: Amends M.S. 297A.11, Subd. 1. Redefines "common carrier" as used in the sales tax law to broaden class, providing the same treatment to independent truckers as is afforded to larger truckers. Qualification as a common carrier permits a trucker to pay sales tax on a truck on the basis of the ratio between the truck's mileage in Minnesota and its total mileage. Effective 4-7-77.

MOTOR CARRIER LICENSE REVOCATION; ROAD TAX REPORTS; GASOLINE AND SPECIAL FUEL TAX REFUNDS, Chapter 45, H.F. 705: Amends M.S. 296.17, adds a section to Ch. 296, and repeals Sec. 296.18, Subd. 1a. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to revoke license of a motor carrier upon its failure to file three consecutive road tax reports, if motor carrier does not request hearing after notice of intent to revoke. Provides that computation of gasoline and special fuel tax refund or credit be based on tax paid to Minnesota on gasoline or special fuel purchased in this state and used in other states instead of its being based on tax paid to other states. Requires that motor carrier road tax reports be filed with the commissioner of revenue at three-month intervals rather than monthly. Effective 7-1-77.

METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES COMMISSION, Chapter 89, S.F. 895: See Metropolitan and Urban Affairs.

MILITARY PAY WITHHOLDING, Chapter 111, H.F. 229: Amends M.S. 290.92. Provides for withholding of tax due on wages paid for active service in the armed forces of the United States. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to enter into an agreement with the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury to withhold wages paid to military personnel subject to Minnesota income tax. Effective for taxes to be withheld from wages paid 120 days after reaching the withholding agreement.

GRAVEL TAX; KITTSOON AND MARSHALL COUNTIES, Chapter 112, H.F. 326: Imposes severance tax on persons engaged in the business of removing gravel from pits or deposits located in Kittson or Marshall counties at a rate to be set by the county board of commissioners, not to exceed 10¢ per cubic yard of gravel removed. Prohibits removal of gravel without payment of tax. Provides for distribution of revenue, with 90% to go to the county road and bridge fund for maintenance and construction of roads used by vehicles removing gravel and 10% to a newly created fund to be used for restoration of gravel pits or deposits. Exempts gravel extracted for use by the state of Minnesota. Effective upon approval by Marshall and Kittson county boards of commissioners.

GRAVEL TAX; BECKER COUNTY, Chapter 117, H.F. 598: Imposes severance tax on persons engaged in the business of removing gravel from pits or deposits located in Becker county at a rate to be set by the county board

of commissioners, not to exceed 5¢ per cubic yard of gravel removed. Prohibits removal of gravel without payment of tax. Provides for distribution of revenue, with 90% to go to the county road and bridge fund for maintenance and construction of roads used by vehicles removing gravel and 10% to a newly created fund to be used for restoration of gravel pits or deposits. Exempts gravel extracted for use by the state, Becker county, or townships or municipalities located within the county. Effective upon approval by the Becker county board of commissioners.

PROCEDURES FOR OBJECTIONS TO PROPERTY TAXES, Chapter 118, H.F. 707:

Amends M.S. 227.011, 278.01 and 278.05. Provides that notices of objections to taxes on real and personal property be transmitted to appropriate officials of the city or town in which the subject property is located, if that municipality employs its own assessor. Permits property tax challenge proceedings to be prosecuted by attorney action on behalf of city or town in which property is located instead of by county attorney. Effective 5-20-77.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, Chapter 203, S.F. 816:

Amends various sections of M.S. 270, 273, 291, 297 and 298. Exempts the department of revenue from application of certain "contested case" requirements of the administrative procedures act, in particular proceedings involving gathering information for determination of inheritance tax liability, the value of unmined iron ore, and the imposition of the occupation tax. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to enter into agreements with the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury for exchange of information and administration of state and federal tax laws. Effective for orders issued after 9-1-74, increases the size of disputed tax amount requiring written order of settlement by the commissioner, and provides that order may be signed by certain subordinates of the commissioner or a facsimile signature. Allows the commissioner to dismiss confiscation procedures undertaken against vehicles used to transport contraband cigarettes. Provides that possession, receiving or transportation of over 20,000 contraband cigarettes is a felony. Authorizes the commissioner to enter into agreements with the governing bodies of Sioux or Chippewa reservations to provide for refunds of sales or excise tax paid by Indian reservation residents after 6-14-76. Except for the provision dealing with written orders, effective 5-21-77.

LICENSING AND TAXATION OF LIQUOR SOLD IN COMMEMORATIVE BOTTLES, Chapter 217, H.F. 114: See Liquor.

GUIDE DOGS FOR DEAF PERSONS; DEDUCTIBILITY OF EXPENSES, Chapter 247,

S.F. 223: Amends various sections of M.S. 256C and 290.09, Subd. 10 and 327.095: Extends rights granted to guide dogs for the blind to guide dogs for the deaf. Permits deduction of expenses incurred after 12-31-76, for obtaining and maintaining a guide dog for a deaf or blind person from gross income as medical expenses for purposes of computation of income tax liability. Non-tax provisions effective 5-26-77.

FEEDLOT POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT CREDIT, Chapter 250, S.F. 506:

Amends M.S. 290.06, Subd. 9a. Extends the duration of the credit against income tax for taxpayers who purchased feedlot pollution control equipment from 12-31-76, to 12-31-80. Provides for a four-year carryforward of unused credit amounts in excess of the taxpayer's tax liability for each taxable year. Effective for equipment purchased after 12-31-76.

ADDITIONAL WITHHOLDING EXEMPTIONS, Chapter 258, S.F. 928:

Amends M.S. 290.92, Subd. 5. Permits a taxpayer to claim a number of withholding exemptions greater than the number he could claim under existing state law if he is claiming additional exemptions for federal income tax purposes; if the taxpayer anticipates a high level of deductions from gross income for a taxable year, he may thus require that less be withheld from his wages. Effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-76.

TITLE ACTIONS ON TAX FORFEITED LAND, Chapter 265, S.F. 1309: See Judiciary.

CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION INCOME TAX EXEMPTION, Chapter 298, H.F. 1337:

Amends M.S. 290.01, Subd. 20. Provides that, for a taxpayer which is a homeowners' association, "gross income" subject to income taxation shall not include amounts received as membership dues, fees or assessments from owners of condominium units or other real property contained in a residential real estate management association. Effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-76.

TAX COURT, Chapter 307, S.F. 160: See Judiciary.

RESORT PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION, Chapter 319, S.F. 626:

Amends M.S. 273.13, Subds. 4 and 6. Provides that a limited area of lake-shore land used as resort property be classified as agricultural homestead land, subject to a 20% (reduced in Chapter 301 to 18 and then 16%) assessment rate instead of its present 33-1/3% rate. Reclassification does not extend homestead credit treatment to the resort property. Effective for taxes levied in 1977, payable 1978 and thereafter.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND TAXATION, Chapter 327, S.F. 932: See Transportation, Motor Vehicles.

FUEL TAX EXEMPTION FOR MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEMS, Chapter 339, H.F. 769:

Amends M.S. 296.02 and 296.025. Exempts gasoline and special fuels purchased by municipally owned transit systems from the gasoline and special fuel taxes consistent with MTC and Duluth transit system exemptions in present law. Effective for gasoline and special fuel purchased after 7-31-77.

TELEPHONE SERVICE SALES TAX LIABILITY ON CUSTOMER, Chapter 363, H.F. 223:

Amends M.S. 297A.01, Subd. 3. Stipulates that sales tax imposed on charges for telephone service is the liability of the service consumer; consequently, amount upon which federal telephone tax is levied would not include amount paid as state telephone tax. Effective for tax charged on services rendered after 12-31-77.

INCOME TAX PROVISIONS' CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL TAX REFORM ACT,  
Chapter 376, H.F. 437: Amends various provisions of M.S. 290 and 290A. Redefines "gross income" to provide for consistency of state definition with recent changes in federal income tax law. Provides for additions to federal adjusted gross income of full amount of investment credit recapture, interest income from qualified scholarship funding bonds issued by corporations domiciled outside of Minnesota, federally exempt interest dividends other than those dividends from the obligations of the state of Minnesota, its subdivisions, agencies or municipalities, and the amount of certain defined gain realized by a trust on the sale of appreciated assets; distributions from a pension or profit sharing plan insofar as the contributor to the plan had been exempt from federal tax but was taxable under state law may be subtracted from gross income. Adopts federal provisions applicable to taxation of lump sum distributions. Prohibits double counting of items taken into account as income or deductions or credits which may otherwise occur because of change in federal law. Adopts federal rules for deductibility of expenses of businesses conducted in the home and rental of home for vacation use. Requires that taxpayer electing to carry forward all farm loss deductions for federal tax purposes follow the same pattern for state tax purposes. Applies federal law to accumulation distributions made by a trust, avoiding payment of refundable credit to beneficiaries when both trust and beneficiary paid tax on trust assets. Retroactive to distributions made 7-4-76, provides for tax-free rollovers of distributions from terminated pension plans. Amends Subchapter S corporation provisions to be consistent with changed federal law. Adds to circuit breaker definition of income those amounts of scholarship bond interest and exempt-interest dividends added to gross income. Most provisions effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-76.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE - INCOME TAX BILL, Chapter 386, H.F. 585: Amends various provisions of M.S. 273 and 290. Allows commissioner of revenue to round fractional dollar amounts of tax liability. Eliminates deduction from gross income allowed for income taxes paid to states which have reciprocity agreements with Minnesota. Provides for alimony deduction equivalent to that allowed for federal tax purposes. Provides that deduction allowable for contributions made to organizations carrying out their activities primarily outside of the state of Minnesota be equal to the contribution multiplied by the ratio of the taxpayer's gross income from sources within Minnesota to his gross income from all sources. Redefines "investment company" which qualifies for certain tax treatment as a company which is registered under federal investment company act of 1940 and which receives at least 50% of its gross payments on investment contracts from contracts and reserves as defined in that act. Makes individual and corporate income taxes and interest and penalties on them a lien on all real and personal property of the taxpayer other than his homestead. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to require a taxpayer's employer to withhold delinquent taxes from the taxpayer's wages. Allows cancellation or reduction of circuit breaker payment penalty at discretion of the commissioner of revenue. Income tax provisions effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-76.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BILL: USE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN TAX RETURNS, Chapter 387, H.F. 586: Amends M.S. 290.081, 290.61 and 290A.17.

Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to exchange tax-related information and copies of tax returns with certain tax officials of other states or the federal government. Requires signed agreements with officials receiving information to afford it confidential treatment equivalent to that provided under Minnesota law. Allows release of abstracted financial information by the commissioner upon request of majority of members of House or Senate tax committees or tax study commission. Restricts information to be released to that which does not identify individual taxpayers. Effective 6-3-77.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BILL: LIQUOR TAX, Chapter 407, H.F. 993: Amends M.S. 299A.02 and various sections of Ch. 340. Clarifies division of authority between commissioner of revenue and commissioner of public safety with respect to administration of liquor tax law provisions. Establishes rates of liquor tax to be applied to liquor sold in metric containers. Effective 6-3-77.

OMNIBUS TAX BILL, Chapter 423, H.F. 1475: Amends various provisions of M.S. 124, 273, 274, 275, 278, 287, 290, 290A, 294, 298 and 477A.

Article I - Income Tax

Updates references to Internal Revenue Code provisions in gross income definition. Adds to gross income all income of residents derived from out-of-state sources, and provides a credit for tax paid to other states on that income. Allows deduction of circuit breaker refunds from gross income. Eliminates military pay deduction. Restricts availability of "working poor" credit to persons having incomes of no more than \$20,000. Increases payroll tax exemption from \$100,000 to \$250,000. Increases income tax rates to 16% on incomes between \$25,000 and \$35,000; 17% between \$35,000 and \$50,000; and 18% on income in excess of \$50,000. Increases personal and dependent credits from \$21 to \$30. Limits the exclusion from gross income for public pension income to \$7,200 per year, less amounts of earned income and social security on railroad retirement benefits received by the taxpayer during the taxable year. Eliminates the deduction for mortgage registry tax, real estate transfer tax, and federal telephone and transportation taxes. Excludes the first \$100 of non-business casualty losses from the deduction otherwise allowable. Raises the income levels at which taxpayers are exempt from filing requirements. Authorizes use of a short form income tax return with tables incorporating the standard deduction. Imposes a tax on preference income items equal to 40% of the taxpayer's federal minimum tax liability for preference income.

Article II - Circuit Breaker/Property Tax Refund

Changes the name of the "income adjusted homestead credit" (i. e. circuit breaker) to the "property tax refund". Clarifies the income definition used for applying for the property tax refund. Makes clear that income

from certain life insurance proceeds, inheritances, scholarships, gifts and moving expenses is not counted when applying for the property tax refund. Defines household income to exclude the income of dependents for property tax refund purposes. Defines dependents to include children and parents living in the home of the claimant. Allows people who live in residences on which payments are made in lieu of taxes to qualify for the property tax refund. Increases the percentage of rent paid which qualifies for property tax refunds from 20% to 22%. Provides that people who do not take income tax deductions for business use of the home qualify for refund on full property taxes. Changes the rate structure in the current circuit breaker. For claimants with income below \$12,000, reduces the percentage of income which is required to be paid as property tax before the claimant qualifies for a refund. Provides an additional property tax refund for homeowners who are at the maximum on the current circuit breaker. This refund consists of 35% of the excess property taxes up to a maximum of \$800, or 50% in the case of senior citizens and disabled people. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to issue separate checks to husbands and wives for their property tax refund upon written request. Provides that if an individual confesses judgment on a property tax delinquency he will be able to receive a property tax refund. Present law denies the refund to anyone who has delinquent taxes. Allows surviving spouses and dependent children to receive a refund on behalf of a decedent. Instructs landlords to send certificates of rent to renters who move to their new forwarding address. Provides that people who bought homes in 1975 can qualify for the full circuit breaker refund for that year. Existing law allowed these people only a portion of the refund for that year. This section amends the effective date in a 1976 law to accomplish this change. Repeals property tax refund and credit provision which are no longer effective. Also repeals the senior citizen property tax freeze law.

### Article III - Property Tax Reduction

For the 1978-1979 school year, reduces the local effort factor in determining foundation aids from 29 to 28 mills. Provides that when determining the valuation of agricultural lands for 1977 and subsequent years, the market value of agricultural lands shall be the arithmetic average of the:

- (1) Price for which the property would sell in an armslength transaction, and
- (2) The income which could be derived from its free market rental rate capitalized at a rate of 9%.

Increases the state share of the cost of AFDC payments from 50% to 60%, thereby reducing the county's share of the AFDC program. Allows agricultural land which abuts a lakeshore to qualify for the green acres provision. Changes the property assessment classification ratios as shown in the table below.

	Payable 1977 (Present)	Payable 1978	Payable 1979 and Subsequent Years
Agricultural Homestead (3b)			
Homestead Base Value*	20%	18%	16%
Excess Value	33-1/3%	31%	30%
Non-Ag. Homestead (3c)			
Homestead Base Value*	25%	22%	20%
Excess Value	40%	36%	33-1/3%
Agricultural Non-Homestead and Seasonal Residential for Recreational Purposes	33-1/3%	31%	30%
Blind, Paraplegic Veterans and Disabled (3cc)			
Homestead Base Value**	5%	5%	5%
Excess Value			
Ag	33-1/3%	31%	30%
Non-ag	40%	36%	33-1/3%

\*Taxes payable 1977--\$13,000; payable 1978--\$15,000.

\*\*Increased from present \$24,000 to \$28,000.

The 45% homestead credit is to be based on all ad valorem taxes including non-school debt. For taxes payable in 1979, the agricultural homestead is increased from 120 acres to 160 acres. Instructs the equalization aid review committee to insure that the relief provided by the classification changes passes through to the taxpayer. For 1978 and subsequent years, increases the state paid agricultural credit from the present 12 mills to 15 mills on homestead ag property. Increases attached machinery aids to counties, towns, and cities by increasing the value of attached machinery 25% and distributes aid on the basis of current mill rates. Reduces local effort for school maintenance from 29 mills this year to 28 mills in 1978 and 27 mills thereafter. Appropriates \$11,000,000 for increased AFDC payments.

#### Article IV - Property Tax Administration

Provides that the sales ratio studies shall be admissible in district court. Requires that when any real estate is sold for a consideration in excess of \$1,000, a certificate of value shall be filed with the county auditor. Presently, a certificate is filed with the county recorder only when a deed is recorded. Provides that, beginning with taxes payable in 1979, no purchaser under a contract for deed shall receive the homestead credit, taconite homestead credit or the agricultural credit unless a certificate of value has been filed with the county auditor. Allows the county board to authorize the county auditor to grant the credits which were denied in these sections, provided that a certificate of value is

filed. Provides for a method for adding the market value increases to property. Provides that if a local government fails to certify its levy by October 10, its levy shall be the amount levied for the preceding year, subject to extension of time by the commissioner of revenue. Requires that the county auditor deliver the tax lists to the county treasurer on or before December 15. Provides that the real property tax statements shall be mailed not later than January 31, so that taxpayers may file for their property tax refund at the same time that they file their income tax return. Permits a taxpayer to appeal to district court to have the market value of his home reduced if his home has been assessed at a valuation which exceeds by 10% or more the valuation which the home would have if it were valued at the average valuation of homes in that area. Provides that certificates of value are no longer filed with the county recorder, but requires that before a deed can be recorded, the county recorder must have obtained a notice from the county auditor that a certificate of value was filed in his office.

#### Article V - Levy Limits

Redefines special levies to eliminate provisions permitting special levies to meet the cost of court decisions or settlements in legal actions, except for those involving torts, which remain as a special levy. Restricts levies for state or federal government agency orders to orders made before 1-1-77. Removes the cost of complying with legislation requiring new or altered activities on the part of the governmental subdivisions, maintaining county court systems, normal funding of pension plans, administrative costs of public assistance and county welfare systems, and preparing for or repairing the effects of a natural disaster from the special levy definition. Amounts levied for those purposes in 1976, payable 1977, are folded into the permanent levy limit base of the governmental subdivision for levy year 1977 and thereafter. Allows one-half of the amount levied as a special levy for the cost of municipal services provided to new industrial and commercial development, which now lapses after four years, to be added to the permanent base. Provides a new special levy to meet the requirements of laws relating to eliminating the unfunded liability of public pensions. Relates the 6% growth factor to the governmental subdivision's levy limit base instead of its levy limit base per capita. Provides that growth of a governmental subdivision's population will be recognized for levy limit purposes. Establishes procedure by which a city or town having a levy limit base per capita which is below 80% of the average within its county may have its base increased by the levy limit review board, bringing its base up to 80% of the average base.

#### Article VI - Local Aids

Provides that a city or township may take a new census to increase its share of local government aid. Alters the local government aid formula: state shall distribute \$52 per capita in calendar year 1978 and \$59 per capita in calendar year 1979 to each county based upon the 1970 federal



census. No taxing district shall receive less in 1978 or 1979 than it received in the preceding year. The local government aid distribution formula is the same as in the present law except that:

- (1) A city or town may use its 1970 federal census population or the average of its 1970 federal census population and its current population, whichever is greater.
- (2) In the case of a first class city located within the metro area, the mill rate used in the formula shall be the sum of 60% of the dollar amount of its levy limitation and its special levies plus 40% of the dollar amount of its actual levy, divided by its taxable value after fiscal disparities.

Provides that Minnesota municipal board orders shall include population counts for purposes of local government aid distributions. Recognizes that local governments may object to the allocation of local aids made by the commissioner of revenue and provides that the commissioner shall pay the additional amounts if they received less than they were entitled to receive. Creates a penalty for inadequate or improper assessment. Provides that cities and towns will lose local government aid if they have too much assessment disparity among individual properties. The penalty, which ranges from \$1 to \$5 per capita, is effective in 1980 and subsequent years.

#### Article VII - Dependent Care Expense Credit

Permits a person to take as a credit against income tax a portion of the amount expended by him to secure care for his dependents which enables him to maintain his employment. Credit will be based on the federal credit made available for dependent care expenses. Under federal law, a taxpayer may claim 20% of his "employment-related expenses" as a credit. "Employment-related expenses" are defined as expenses for household services and for the care of a child of the taxpayer, if the child is less than 15 years old or for the care of a disabled spouse or dependent of the taxpayer; these expenses qualify only if they are necessary to enable the taxpayer to be gainfully employed. The state credit will equal 50% of the taxpayer's federal credit, subject to two limitations. First, no more than \$150 in credit may be taken for each dependent, and the total credit may not exceed \$300. Second, for claimants whose income exceeds \$12,000 the credit otherwise available will be reduced by 5% of the amount of his income over \$12,000. The credit is refundable so that if it exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability in any one year, the taxpayer will receive a refund of the amount of the excess.

#### Article VIII - Tax Study Commission

Replaces existing tax study commission, which is due to expire 6-30-77. Newly formed tax study commission to be composed of seven members of the Senate and seven members of the House of Representatives. The commission

is assigned general duties, including analysis of the present tax system and proposed tax legislation, and the making of recommendations on sound policy to be pursued.

#### Article IX - Occupation Tax Speed-Up

Iron ore and taconite occupation taxes to be paid during the year the ore is produced and not in the following year. Small iron ore companies are exempted.

#### Article X - Taconite Tax

Extends the provisions on newly discovered iron ore to all companies. Provides that homeowners living in communities which had a taconite facility on 1-1-77, will continue to receive the taconite homestead credit. Taconite homestead credit to be applied to 160 acres of agricultural land. Credit increased by 10%. Dollar cap on the credit will be increased by \$15 a year. Homeowners in Floodwood school district to receive the credit. Taconite railroad gross earnings tax proceeds to be paid to the state. Local governments would be grandfathered in at the amount of revenue that they received in 1977. Places a 25¢ limit on the amount of production taxes that can be deducted against the occupation tax. Eliminates shrinkage deduction. Removes the 5% of the taconite and iron ore occupation tax proceeds that the iron range resources and rehabilitation commission receives. The I.R.R.R.C. would be grandfathered in at the amounts that it received in 1977. Increases the membership on the I.R.R.R.C. from 3 to 5 from each house. Increases the production tax from 80¢ to \$1.25 a ton, with increases in the tax rate to be indexed in the future based on the price of steel. Imposes an additional ore quality tax. Specifies that the production tax can be based on a three-year average of production. The tax is increased starting 1-1-77. Imposes 10¢ per ton tailings tax on any company that does not dispose of its tailings on land in accordance with state permits after 7-1-77. Appropriates an additional \$1,750,000 to the water filtration fund. The state will be repaid this money during the next year from the tailings tax. Currently, unmined taconite is subject to the normal property tax; however, this tax cannot exceed \$1 an acre. This limit is raised to \$10 an acre. This section provides for the distribution of the taconite production tax. With some exceptions, the current distribution is maintained.

- (1) 2.5¢ per ton to the taconite cities or towns;
- (2) 12.5¢ per ton to the taconite municipal aid account;
- (3) 29¢ per ton to schools as follows:
  - (a) 6¢ per ton to the taconite schools;
  - (b) 23¢ per ton to those schools that qualify for the taconite homestead credit in direct proportion to their permitted levies;

- (4) 19.5¢ per ton to counties as follows:
  - (a) 15.5¢ per ton to the taconite counties;
  - (b) 4¢ per ton is given to the taconite counties' road and bridge funds. In 1978 and 1979, 2¢ per ton is outside of the county's levy limits. In 1980 and thereafter this is reduced to 1¢ per ton;
- (5) 25.75¢ per ton is given to the taconite homestead credit fund;
- (6) 1¢ per ton goes to the state;
- (7) 3¢ per ton goes to the iron range resources and rehabilitation board;
- (8) The amounts distributed to the counties and to the taconite homestead credit will increase with the steel mill products index;
- (9) The remainder of the tax, less the grandfather provisions goes to the two funds described below. The revenue department will receive \$50,000 a year for auditing the production tax and additional money for compiling the mineral data that will be filed.

Creates the taconite environmental protection fund and describes its purpose. The iron range resources and rehabilitation board will disburse the funds subject to the review of the legislative advisory commission and the approval of the governor. If a taconite facility closes, the fund is to pay the taconite aid recipients the amount of taconite production tax aid that they received in the last full year of operation. Payments would continue for two years. The fund would also assume any school bond payments that the taconite producer is liable for. Appropriates money to the fund from the general fund only if the fund does not have enough money to make the payments under section 23. The fund will have to repay the general fund. No money could be borrowed from the general fund under this provision after 1-1-80. The fund can borrow \$1,500,000 from the general fund on 7-1-77. This money must be repaid with interest before the end of the fiscal year. Creates the northeast Minnesota economic protection fund. This fund could not be used for 25 years at which time it could be used to fund economic assistance for the range. Before the fund could be used, the governor would have to declare an economic emergency and the legislature would have to appropriate the necessary funds. Taconite mining and exploration companies are to file their data on mineral exploration with the commissioner of revenue.

#### Article XI - Appropriation

An appropriation of \$300,000 is made to the commissioner of revenue to meet the increased cost to the revenue department for administration of the act.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BILL: PROPERTY TAX, Chapter 434, S.F. 649: Amends various provisions of M.S. 270, 273, 274, 276 and 281. Eliminates requirement that certain taxpayers appeal property tax assessments to local boards of review prior to appearing before commissioner of revenue. Extends deadline by which certain cities may hire their own assessors. Alters mileage and bond provisions relating to assessors. Permits appeal of classification of real property to board of review. Clarifies period of redemption for certain tax forfeited land as being five years. Effective 6-3-77.

DULUTH, ADDITIONAL SALES TAX AUTHORIZED, Chapter 438, S.F. 830: Amends Laws 1973, Ch. 461, Sec. 1. Authorizes Duluth to impose a sales tax of up to 2% on certain sales of food and drink. Limits the use of revenue generated by the tax. Requires a report to the legislature on the future financing of the Spirit Mountain project. Effective upon approval by the Duluth city council and compliance with M.S. 645.021 and shall be effective only to 7-1-79.

EDUCATION AIDS BILL, Chapter 447, H.F. 550: See Education.

## TRANSPORTATION

HANDICAPPED PARKING, Chapter 22, S.F. 43: See Health and Welfare, Aged and Handicapped.

MOTOR CARRIER LICENSE REVOCATION; ROAD TAX REPORTS; GASOLINE AND SPECIAL FUEL TAX REFUNDS, Chapter 45, H.F. 705: See Taxation.

AMTRAK SERVICE CONTINUATION; USE OF RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, Chapter 87, S.F. 1034: Appropriates money for the continuation of Amtrak rail service between Minneapolis-St. Paul and Duluth until 6-30-77. Appropriates \$69,051 to cover past deficits under contracts with Amtrak during 1975-76 and 1976-77. Appropriates \$255,000 for operation of Amtrak between 2-1-77 and 6-30-77. Appropriates \$15,000 to the state planning agency for a study of the potential uses of railroad rights-of-way in the state for power transmission pipelines and other public uses. Effective 5-13-77.

RAILROADS, LIABILITY FOR FIREFIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 95, H.F. 75: See Local Government.

TAXATION AND NUMBER PLATES OF TRAILERS, Chapter 108, H.F. 1003: Amends M.S. 168.013 and 168.12. Provides that the registration tax on trailers of 3,000 lbs. or less gross weight shall be payable biennially, and that plates for such trailers shall be 4" x 7" in size and issued for a four-year period. Effective 11-15-80 for plate year 1981 and subsequent years.

PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE OF MOTOR CARRIERS AND REGISTRATION FEES FOR CERTAIN INTERSTATE MOTOR CARRIERS, Chapter 122, H.F. 1130: Amends M.S. 221.141 and 221.64. Requires motor carriers to have filed with the commissioner of transportation a certificate of public liability and indemnity insurance before an operating certificate or permit may be issued; provides for suspension of permit or certificate without administrative proceedings if the certificate of insurance is not filed or maintained two days after mailed notice of the suspension, until the insurance requirements have been satisfied. Permits the commissioner of transportation to charge a fee of up to \$5 for identification stamps on registration of authority for transportation in interstate commerce or registration of exemption from authority.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; DEADLINE EXTENSION ON REGULATORY REPORT, Chapter 124, H.F. 1469: Extends until 1-1-79 the deadline for a report to the governor and the legislature by the commissioner of transportation concerning proposals for the regulation of pipelines, long distance conveyor belt systems and other modes of transportation not now regulated by the state.

PORT AUTHORITY; PAY INCREASE FOR COMMISSION MEMBERS, Chapter 143, S.F. 831: Amends M.S. 458.195. Increases the payment to port authority commissioners from \$25 to \$35 per meeting and removes the limit of \$600 on aggregate payments to any one commissioner for any one year.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, Chapter 205, S.F. 922: See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

SMALL BUSINESS TRANSPORTATION SET ASIDE, Chapter 222, H.F. 339: See Commerce and Economic Development.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; USE OF VALUE ANALYSIS PROCESS, Chapter 251, S.F. 541: Requires that the commissioner of transportation engage in a value analysis process with regard to contracts for construction let by the department of transportation. Provides that all departmental construction contracts may authorize contractors to submit value engineering proposals suggesting changes in the construction project which would result in reduction of the costs of the contract. Provides for review of value engineering proposals by the commissioner of transportation and for supplemental agreements allowing a contractor to retain one-half of the amount of any savings resulting from the adoption of a value engineering proposal. Effective 7-1-77.

REDUCED RATES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF WASTE MATERIAL FOR REPROCESSING, Chapter 285, H.F. 947: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MINNESOTA IDENTIFICATION CARDS, Chapter 361, H.F. 176: See General Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

TRANSPORTATION OMNIBUS APPROPRIATION, Chapter 454, H.F. 1610: See Appropriations.

#### Aeronautics

OUT OF STATE AIRPORTS UNDER JOINT AGREEMENT WITH A MINNESOTA MUNICIPALITY; TREATMENT UNDER M.S. CHAPTER 360, Chapter 211, S.F. 1196: Amends M.S. 360.042. Requires that an airport located outside the state but acquired, constructed, operated or maintained under a joint agreement between a municipality in this state and an adjoining state (or municipality in an adjoining state) be treated as an airport located within the state under M.S. 360. Prohibits the commissioner of aeronautics from paying the costs of any project at any such out-of-state airport except to assist a municipality in this state to pay its share of the costs of an eligible project under a joint agreement.

AIRPORT ZONING VARIANCES; AUTOMATIC GRANT WHEN BOARD FAILS TO ACT, Chapter 236, H.F. 1471: Amends various sections of M.S. 360. Establishes a procedure by which airport zoning variances will be automatically granted if a board of adjustment fails to act on the variance

application. Requires the applicant for a variance to notify the commissioner of transportation of any automatic granting of a variance. Provides a 60-day period for review of an automatic variance by the commissioner of transportation and permits the commissioner to amend or rescind the variance if he finds that this action is required to protect the public safety. Provides for judicial review of any such actions.

AIRCRAFT AND INLAND MARINE INSURANCE, Chapter 365, H.F. 256: See Insurance.

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION, Chapter 417, H.F. 1226: See Metropolitan and Urban Affairs.

### Highways

STATE TRANSPORTATION BONDS; CONDITION OF SALE, Chapter 6, H.F. 511: Amends Laws 1976, Ch. 339. Permits the sale and issuance of Minnesota state transportation bonds before the money appropriated under Laws 1976, Ch. 339, Sec. 4, Subd. 2, has been fully expended. Effective 3-25-77.

REIMBURSEMENT OF FIREFIGHTING EXPENSES, Chapter 43, H.F. 557: See Local Government.

TRUNK HIGHWAY ROUTE NO. 72, Chapter 80, H.F. 946: Amends M.S. 161.115. Changes the description of statutory trunk highway route No. 72 by beginning that route at a point south of the city of Bemidji. Permits retention of a through city trunk highway route after completion of the Highway 2 and 71 by-pass around Bemidji.

STATE-AID CONTRACTS; MANNER OF PAYMENT, Chapter 144, S.F. 833: Amends M.S. 162.04 and 162.10. Requires counties and municipalities contracting for state-aid highway construction or improvement to pay up to 90% of the value of work completed under any contract as shown by monthly estimates made by the county engineer. Requires any amounts retained by the county or municipality under the contract be released when 90% of the work is complete except as required to be retained to protect the county or municipality's interest in completion of the contract. Imposes an interest penalty upon failure to pay within 30 days of a monthly estimate or 90 days after the final estimate of the work completed. Exempts from penalty any amount which a county or municipality may legally withhold as a result of breach of contract or other contractual claim. Ch. 144 does not apply to state-aid contracts for which the construction or improvement is financed in whole or in part by federal aid highway money.

REMOVAL OF TREES ALONG TOWN ROADS, Chapter 216, H.F. 76: Amends M.S. 160.22. Provides an exception from existing law concerning the removal of trees and hedges from the right-of-way of town roads. Permits

that removal without a hearing provided that the town gives 14 days notice before removing trees and hedges and the abutting owner does not request a hearing during that period. Provides that all timber and wood cut under this exception belongs to the abutting owner.

BLOOMINGTON FERRY BRIDGE, Chapter 232, H.F. 930: Directs Hennepin and Scott counties to reconstruct and replace the Bloomington ferry bridge over the Minnesota River and exempts that reconstruction from state regulations concerning minimum width of bridges. Permits the bridge to be designed to accommodate a lower weight than would otherwise be required under state regulations and requiring the two counties to prohibit any vehicle exceeding this design loading from using the bridge. Requires state agencies to cooperate with the counties in expediting reconstruction. Expresses legislative intent that the reconstructed bridge shall be of a temporary nature to serve for a period of eight to ten years following its completion. Effective 5-21-77.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION; TRUNK HIGHWAY AND STATE TRANSPORTATION BOND AUTHORIZATION; APPROPRIATION OF PROCEEDS, Chapter 277, H.F. 733:

Authorizes the sale of trunk highway bonds in the principal amount of \$50 million for the design, construction and reconstruction of key bridges and bridge approaches on the trunk highway system including interstate routes. Authorizes the sale of Minnesota state transportation bonds in the principal amount of \$50 million for the construction and reconstruction of key bridges on the county, municipal and township highway systems. Allocates \$27 million of the proceeds of the state transportation bonds to counties, \$8 million to municipalities and \$15 million to townships. Requires that proceeds of both trunk highway and the state transportation bonds be expended in accordance with the requirements under M.S. 174.50 and the rules of the department of transportation promulgated pursuant to that section. Effective 7-1-77.

BUS SHELTER ADVERTISING ON HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY, Chapter 334, H.F. 231: Amends M.S. 160.27. Permits the owners of bus shelters located by license or permit on a street or highway right-of-way to place advertising on the bus shelter. Limits the advertising to one-third of the vertical surface of the shelter. Effective 5-28-77.

Motor Vehicles

BICYCLE REGISTRATION, Chapter 41, H.F. 380: Amends various sections of M.S. 168C. Defines "bicycle" to include a unicycle; permits municipalities selling bicycles at public auction to designate an agent or employee to be appointed a deputy registrar of bicycles; authorizes the commissioner of public safety, and the deputy registrars of motor vehicles, as well as deputy registrars of bicycles, to charge 50¢ per registration to be deposited in the treasury, if a public official, or to be retained, if not a public official; extends the deadline for adoption of rules by the



commissioner of public safety from 1-1-77 to 3-1-77; requires the commissioner of public safety to study and report to the legislature before 1-15-78 regarding recommendations for mandatory registration of all bicycles in the state. Effective 5-5-77.

MILEAGE DISCLOSURE, Chapter 105, H.F. 882: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LICENSING REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 168, H.F. 621: See Commerce and Economic Development.

MOTORIZED BICYCLES, Chapter 214, H.F. 33: Defines motorized bicycle. Establishes a \$3 annual registration fee for motorized bicycles. Exempts the business of selling motorized bicycles from the requirements of obtaining a motor vehicle dealer's license. Includes motorized bicycles among vehicles required to have a certificate of title. The registration provisions of Ch. 214 are effective 11-15-77 for the vehicle registration year 1978 and subsequent years. (For traffic law aspects of Ch. 214, see Motorized Bicycles under Traffic Law.)

REGISTRATION OF TRUCKS, TRACTORS AND COMBINATIONS OF VEHICLES, Chapter 248, S.F. 270: Permits the owner of a semitrailer to pay a \$10 annual registration fee or a \$50 five-year registration fee at the discretion of the owner. Provides new higher truck registration fees for vehicles and combinations in excess of 73,280 pounds. Provides for an additional registration tax for each ton or fraction of a ton in excess of 81,000 pounds. Provides that owners of farm semitrailers may pay an annual registration fee of \$10 or a five-year registration fee of \$50 and provides the same privileges for owners of urban truck semitrailers. Permits a truck-tractor or road tractor to display only a single license plate on the front of the vehicle. The single plate provision for truck-tractors is effective 11-15-80 for the vehicle registration year 1981 and subsequent years. The optional five-year semitrailer fee for farm, urban and other semitrailers is effective 11-15-78 for the registration year 1979 and subsequent years. (For traffic law aspects of Ch. 248, see Vehicle Weights Limits under Traffic Law.)

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND TAXATION, Chapter 327, S.F. 932: Amends M.S. 168.29 and 168.33. Reduces the fee for duplicate license plates to the amount of the annual tax if the annual tax is less than \$3. Provides for a uniform filing fee for all applications for registration of motor vehicles of \$1.50 after 8-1-77 and \$1.75 after 1-1-79, with the filing fee shown as a separate payable item on registration renewal notices. Provisions for reduced fees for duplicate plate effective 5-28-77. Remaining provisions effective 8-1-77.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES OF TITLE, Chapter 370, H.F. 331: Amends M.S. 168.10, 168A.04 and 168A.05. Requires that the full names, dates of birth, and addresses of all owners of an automobile be included in applications for registration, applications for certificates

of title, and certificates of title and appropriates \$162,640 to implement and administer the provisions of the act. Provisions regarding applications for registration effective 7-1-78; other provisions effective 7-1-77.

INFORMATIONAL LABELS ON NEW PICKUP TRUCKS, Chapter 385, H.F. 562: See Commerce and Economic Development.

#### Traffic Law

MOTORCYCLE HELMETS, Chapter 17, H.F. 382: Amends M.S. 169.974. Prohibits persons under the age of 18 from operating or riding a motorcycle on streets and highways without a helmet and prohibits anyone holding a motorcycle instruction permit from operating without a helmet regardless of the age of the operator. Permits evidence of whether or not a person was wearing a helmet to be admitted as evidence in motorcycle accident negligence cases on the issue of determining damages payable for head injuries to a motorcycle operator or rider. Requires that damages for head injuries of any rider or operator who was not wearing a helmet be reduced to the extent that the injuries could have been avoided by wearing a helmet. Requires that the noise regulations of the pollution control agency for motor vehicles apply to motorcycles after 12-31-78. Requires the commissioner of public safety to submit a report to the governor and legislature concerning the public safety, health and insurance implications of Ch. 17 and including the commissioner's recommendations concerning the continuation or modification of Ch. 17. Effective 4-6-77.

VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS; TEMPORARY HAY HAULER EXEMPTION, Chapter 34, H.F. 661: Exempts five axle vehicles used by Minnesota livestock farmers exclusively for the hauling of hay from seasonal load restrictions on state roads and highways between 3-20 and 5-15-77.

ACCIDENT REPORTS; \$300 MINIMUM PROPERTY DAMAGE, Chapter 53, S.F. 108: Amends M.S. 169.09. Increases from \$100 to \$300 the amount of property damage which must occur in a motor vehicle accident before a driver involved in such an accident must file a written report with the commissioner of public safety.

VEHICLE LENGTH LIMITS; 60 FOOT COMBINATIONS AND 45 FOOT TRAILERS, Chapter 113, H.F. 334: Amends M.S. 169.81. Increases the overall length limitation for combinations of motor vehicles from 55 to 60 feet, but limits the length of any semitrailer or trailer to 45 feet. Exempts semitrailers used to transport motor vehicles, farm implements or flax, straw or fiber from the 45 foot semitrailer length limitation. Permits the commissioner of transportation and local road authorities to restrict 60 foot motor vehicle combinations from state trunk highways and from local highways and streets. Effective 5-20-77.

MOTORCYCLES OPERATED ON INSTRUCTION PERMIT; RESTRICTED FROM INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS, Chapter 134, S.F. 465: Amends M.S. 169.974. Prohibits motorcycle operators holding a motorcycle instruction permit from operating a motorcycle on any interstate highway.

VEHICLE WIDTH LIMITS; LOW BED TRAILERS AND EQUIPMENT DOLLIES, Chapter 150, S.F. 919: Amends M.S. 169.80. Permits low bed trailers or equipment dollies up to a width of nine feet used exclusively for transporting farm machinery and construction equipment to operate on any streets or highways except interstate highways. Requires a special permit for operation of such nine foot trailers or dollies on interstate highways. Requires any such trailer or dolly to display red marking flags at the front and rear of the left side of the vehicle.

"GOOD SAMARITAN" LAW; STOPPING TO ASSIST DISTRESSED MOTORIST, Chapter 167, H.F. 103: Permits a person to stop or park his motor vehicle on a highway or street for the sole purpose of aiding another motorist provided that the motorist has signalled for assistance by raising the hood of the vehicle or a similar signal, that the motorist has not already been given assistance, that the motorist stopping does so in a safe manner, is not in violation of any other traffic law and promptly leaves the scene if directed to do so by a peace officer. Effective 5-20-77.

MOTORIZED BICYCLES, Chapter 214, H.F. 33: Defines motorized bicycle as one which may be propelled by human power, by motor or both, with a motor of less than 50 cubic centimeters and a maximum of two horsepower which is incapable of a speed greater than 30 miles per hour. Applies the traffic laws related to bicycles to the operation of motorized bicycles but prohibits motorized bicycles from operating on any bicycle way or lane or on any sidewalk (except for access to a roadway from a driveway, alley or building) and requires motorized bicycles to comply with the lighting and brake equipment requirements for motorcycles (except that the headlights need not be lighted at all times during operation). Permits the commissioner of transportation to prohibit or regulate the use of any controlled access highway by motorized bicycles. (For registration and licensing aspects of Ch. 214, see Motorized Bicycles under Motor Vehicles.)

VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS; INCREASED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHTS ON DESIGNATED ROUTES, Chapter 248, S.F. 270: Allows increased gross vehicle weights to be carried on the streets and highways of the state which are designated to carry those weights by the commissioner of transportation and on all interstate highways in the state. Allows gross vehicle weights up to 10,000 pounds on any one wheel, 20,000 pounds on any one axle, 12,000 on a steering axle of a truck-tractor, 34,000 pounds on any tandem axle and overall gross weight of 80,000 pounds. Provides a formula for determining overall gross weight for any combination of vehicles depending on the number and spacing of axles. Permits the gross weight carried on the steering axle of a truck-tractor used to transport motor vehicles or operated by heavy specialized carrier to exceed 12,000

pounds but limits that gross weight to a maximum of 18,000 pounds. Retains all current gross weight limitations for vehicles operating on any street or highway which has not been designated by the commissioner of transportation to carry the new increased weights. Permits haulers of raw and unfinished wood products to exceed the new limitations by 10% during the times specified for a similar exception under existing law. Permits seasonal weight restrictions to override the new higher gross weights. Provides procedures for designation of routes to carry higher gross weights. Requires the designation of routes other than trunk highway routes be approved by the local authority having jurisdiction over the route. Limits designation of any route that creates an undue hazard to traffic safety or is inconsistent with the structural capacity of the route. Requires the commissioner to designate any route which he determines is needed to provide connection between significant centers of population or commerce, between other designated routes, access to transportation terminals or temporary emergency service to particular shipping or receiving points. Requires that route designations be proposed and adopted as rules in accordance with Ch. 15. Permits the commissioner to promulgate such rules only once during each calendar year. Requires the commissioner to make the first designation of routes by 11-1-77 to be effective upon publication in the state register without further rulemaking proceedings. Provides that these first designations shall be effective only for calendar year 1978. Requires the sheriff of each county to file by 1-15-79 a report concerning the enforcement of gross weight limitations within his county. Provides for enforcement of the new higher gross weight limitations on designated routes without any enforcement tolerances. Retains enforcement tolerances for current gross weights on routes not designated by the commissioner. Except for procedural sections involving route designation and the section requiring the sheriff's enforcement report the provisions summarized here are effective 11-15-77 for the vehicle registration year 1978 and subsequent years. (For the vehicle registration aspect of Ch. 248, see Truck Weights under Motor Vehicles.)

VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS; STATEWIDE TIMBER HAULERS EXCEPTION, Chapter 279, H.F. 817: Amends M.S. 169.83. Abolishes the special zone in which haulers of raw and unfinished forest products are permitted to carry 20% above existing gross weight limits from January 1 through March 7 of each year. Extends this 20% excess weight privilege statewide. Retains a special zone for exercise of the 20% excess weight privilege between December 1 and December 31.

SELF-PROPELLED IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY; SPEED LIMIT, Chapter 397, H.F. 818: Prohibits the driving or towing of a self-propelled implement of husbandry at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour. Effective 6-3-77.

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206	271	Health and Welfare, Health, Nursing Homes and Hospitals
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218	77	Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Hennepin
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297	335	Insurance
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313	242	Labor-Management Relations
314	336	Judiciary
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445	224	Environment and Natural Resources
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460	274	Retirement
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676	390	Judiciary
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801	396	Criminal Justice
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1006	121	Agriculture
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